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Disenfranchised in their own land

'If PoK is a part of India, what is the problem with my candidature,' asks Somiya, who was a candidate in 2020 but removed from the rolls now

In limbo: Somiya Sadaf at her dairy farm in Batargam in north Kashmir. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Peerzada Ashiq
SRINAGAR

Despite the chill infused by sub-zero temperatures in north Kashmir, 37-year-old Somiya Sadaf is busy delivering motivational lectures to the progressive farmers of Dragmulla in Kupwara district but remains a mute spectator to the constituency's District Development Council (DDC) election scheduled for December 5. This is in stark contrast to the scene just two years ago, when she herself was the candidate in the election in December 2020.

Ms. Sadaf, who originally hails from Muzaffarabad in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK), is the wife of a Kupwara resident. On counting day on December 22, 2020, the State Election Commissioner responded to a complaint that Ms. Sadaf and Shazia Begum, another woman from PoK, fighting the election from Hajin in Bandipora district, were not "bona fide India citizen(s)", and stopped the declaration of results in both seats. In November 2022, the SEC announced re-polling in both seats on December 5.

"I was sweeping the election. That is why the counting was stopped in its last leg that day. If PoK is a part of India, what could be the possible problem with my citizenship? I understand any citizenship issues if someone was from Pakistan. I had produced all the documents, including ration card and even my passport, but still my candidature has been rejected," Ms. Sadaf, who has a degree in sociology from Muzaffarabad and a Master's in Urdu from Kashmir, told *The Hindu*.

Ms. Sadaf has not only lost the right to contest polls, but the right to vote in them too, as her name has been deleted from the electoral rolls. In fact, at least 150 such PoK woman are stuck in no-man's land in the absence of any government policy on their citizenship and rights.

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A week more of electoral bond sales from tomorrow

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The government has opened yet another week-long window for electoral bond sales, starting December 5, less than a month after it amended the Electoral Bond Scheme to enable an additional fortnight of sales in years when States and Union Territories have polls.

The Finance Ministry on Saturday announced the 24th tranche of electoral bond sales through 29 branches of the State Bank of India (SBI) across the country which are authorised to issue and encash the bonds from December 5 to December 12.

This is the third successive month that bond sales have been opened up, starting with a 10-day window in October as per the original scheme, followed by a week of sales that began on November 9 ahead of the Gujarat and Himachal Pradesh elections under the amended norms.

The Electoral Bond Scheme was introduced in January 2018 as an alternative to cash donations 'to cleanse the system of political funding in the country'.

Ensuring transparency

The Electoral Bond Scheme was introduced in January 2018 as an alternative to cash donations 'to cleanse the system of political funding in the country'. **The bond sale dates in 2022 are:**

- Jan. 1 to Jan. 10
- April 1 to April 10
- July 1 to July 10
- Oct. 1 to Oct. 10
- Nov. 9 to Nov. 15*
- Dec. 5 to Dec. 12*

* The last two windows were announced after amendments to the Electoral Bond Scheme were notified on November 7

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Eight gold medals for BU PG topper

BENGALURU
The coming week is doubly special for Keerthi Neginhal, a student of Government First Grade College, Vijayanagar. While on the one hand, she has successfully won eight gold medals and one cash prize in M.A. Kannada literature, she is also set to give birth to her first child. She intends to become a KAS officer or a Kannada professor. » Page 5

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Tanpura artist Altaf Mullah, classical vocalist Rahul Deshpande and Yusuf Mullah (Altaf's father and tanpura maker to Bhimsen Joshi).

A hand of support for tanpura makers

Nistula Hebbar
NEW DELHI

For generations, Altaf Mullah and his family, residents of Miraj in Goa, have been in the business of tuning the strings and twisting the pegs of Indian string instruments such as the tanpura, surbahar, rudra veena and vichitra veena. They are currently headed for a tour of the United States and the United Kingdom, to hold workshops on how best to keep these instruments tuned, for their clients abroad, a number that now oustrips their domestic market.

On the face of it, it seems as though Mr. Mullah and his family have negotiated the ravages of modernity on traditional businesses quite well, by shifting their client base abroad. But the story is quite different. In fact, the workshops are being sponsored by the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) after a distress email from Mr. Mullah, who feared the extinction of this art of making and maintaining string instruments.

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Taxi, bike aggregators told to appoint nodal officer to redress plaints

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Police Commissioner C.H. Pratap Reddy directed bike and taxi aggregators and food and goods delivery firms to appoint a nodal officer to redress complaints by customers and coordinate with the police round the clock.

He met representatives of the companies on Saturday along with Special Commissioner of Police (Traffic) M.A. Saleem, Additional Commissioner of Police Sandeep Patil, Joint Commissioner of Police S.D. Sharanappa, Joint Commissioner (Traffic) M.N. Anucheth and Joint Commissioner (Intelligence) Raman Gupta.

To ensure safety

The meeting was held in the backdrop of the alleged gang-rape of a 23-year-old woman from Kerala by a bike taxi driver and his associate on November 25. The aim of the meeting was to ensure the safety of people, especially women and children, who are availing the services of transport aggregators and delivery firms.

The investigation revealed that the accused got work as a bike taxi rider despite being named in criminal cases. The company had not checked his background before hiring him, which, according to a senior police officer, is mandatory as per the recruitment policy of the company.

Notice issued

The Electronics City police, probing the case, issued a notice to the company – Rapido – seeking an explanation, based on which legal action and recommendation to the Transport Department would be initiated, said C.K. Baba, DCP (South-east). Mr. Reddy gave strict directions to ensure that all companies carry out background checks of their employees.

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Long night ahead: A farmer keeps a keen eye out for marauding elephants from the safety of a tree house, locally called *tongi ghor*, in Amsoi village in Nagaon district of Assam.

Treetop watch

Farmers in Assam devise ways to protect their crops from raiding elephant herds, as wildlife habitats shrink and human-animal conflicts rise

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Assam has more than 5,700 elephants, the highest number after Karnataka in India. A few of them get orphaned every year primarily due to human-animal conflict and natural calamities. Sadly, the human-elephant conflict is on the rise in Assam. Dwindling habitats across the State have pushed elephants into an increasingly hostile relationship with humans sharing the same land. The pachyderms venture out close to human settlements and damage farms and property, and, sometimes, even attack people.

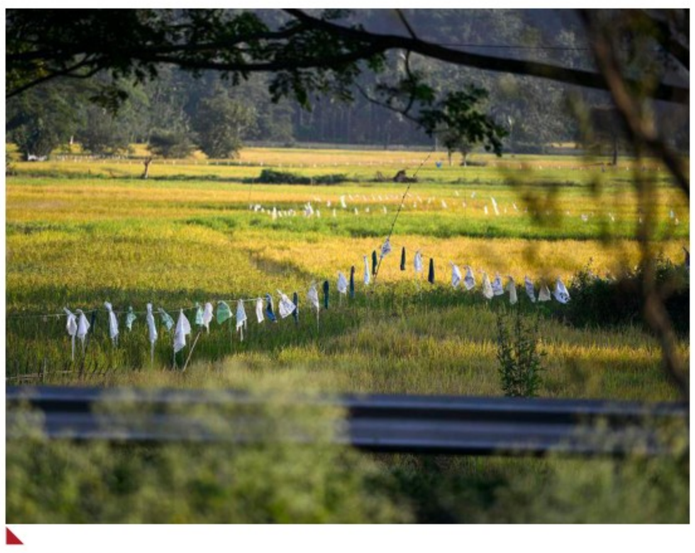
The frequency of encounters with elephants is more for the people of central Assam that has a peculiar landscape with small patches of forests interspersed with paddy fields and other valuable crops. The pachyderms visit the region for about four months every year, their numbers and duration of stay is ever increasing.

To protect their crops, the farmers here have built *tongi ghor* or tree houses high up in the branches near their agricultural fields. Equipped with torches and a few firecrackers, they spend the night keeping watch over their crops and to deter wandering wild elephant herds.

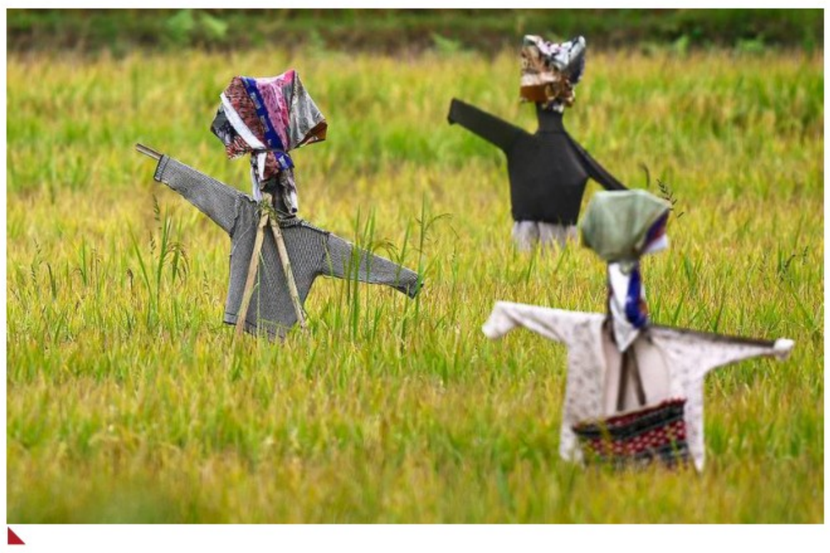
If the villagers don't drive the elephants out, they would have to starve as a raiding elephant herd can damage crops.

Lone ranger: A wild elephant steps out of a patch of forest in search of food crops at Jagiroad in Morigaon district.

Lost yield: A farmer shows his crops damaged by wild elephants at Nihangdikchak village in Kamrup (Metro) district.



Wind energy: The fluttering and crackling of plastic sheets hung up in fields scare away birds in Khaloibari village in Kamrup (Metro) district.



On the watch: Scarecrows have been set up in farms on the outskirts of Guwahati in a bid to deter wild animals.

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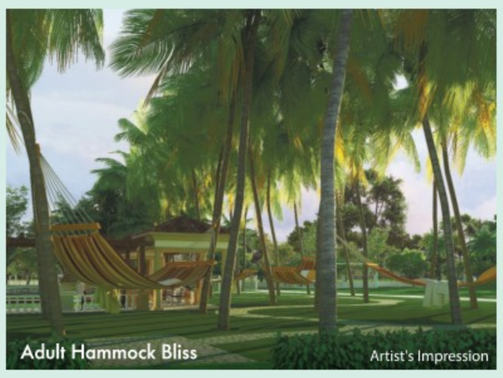

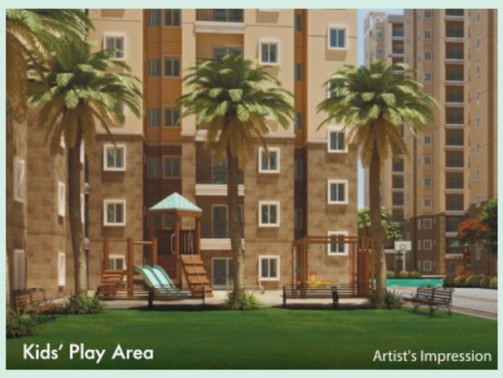

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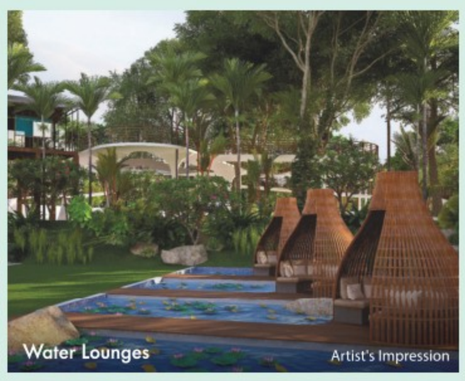

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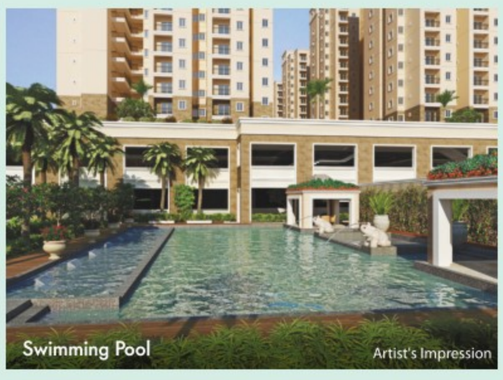

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‘Despite advanced tech, you still can’t taste sushi online’

In an age of information overload, it’s telling how little we know of the countries that have been most in the headlines, says travel writer Pico Iyer at the 11th edition of Bangalore Literature Festival

K.V. Aditya Bharadwaj
BENGALURU

Noted travel writer Pico Iyer recalled Bengaluru as a ‘sleepy town’ with bicycles and quiet parks when he visited the city 48 years ago as a 17-year-old. “The city has changed as much as I have from when I was 17 years old and now 65,” he told the audience at the 11th edition of Bangalore Literature Festival (BLF) in Bengaluru on Saturday.

Travel writer Pico Iyer at the Bangalore Literature Festival on Saturday. K. MURALI KUMAR & BHAGYA PRAKASH K.

‘World hasn’t shrunk’

Speaking on why we need to travel, he said globalisation may have created an illusion that the world has shrunk, but it hasn’t. “In Vancouver (Canada), I was once in a virtual reality booth that showed me the Amazon forest (in Brazil). Coming out, I became more aware of what experiences I could never get virtually. Though we can see and listen to many Rolling Stones concerts on our mobiles, nothing matches being in a live concert. Even now, you cannot taste sushi online,” he said, adding it’s still so hard to fall in love with something second-hand.

Recounting his travel to North Korea and Iran, he said, in an age of information overload, it was telling how little we know about the countries that have been most in the headlines. He recounted a sense of *deja vu* in cities of the two countries.

Travel to Iran

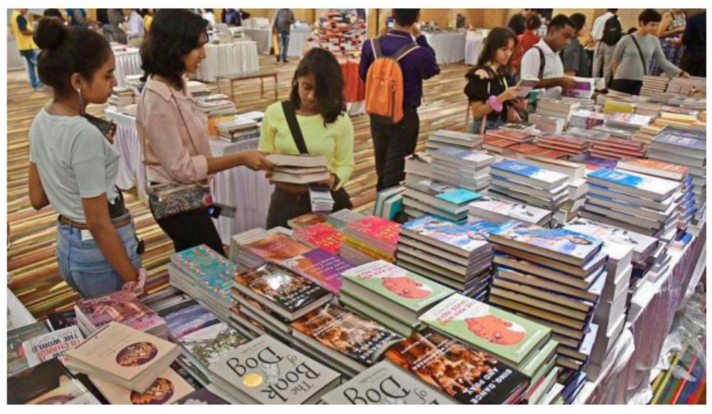
“I started from Las Vegas, travelled across the West for three days and reached Pyongyang (capital of North Korea) to get the strange feeling that I am back in Vegas. The skyline of the cities in Iran was similar to Dubai,” he said. He recounted meeting a taxi driver in Iran, who had been educated in London (the U.K.), fled Iran, sought asylum in the U.K., but sneaks back every year to meet his family, and pay his respects to a Sufi saint.

“I had once set aside four years of my life to read everything on Iran to set a novel in a country that I had not visited. I had written about Iran, but four hours in the country gave me new insights into the country and culture. Never have we heard of people who have fled Iran sneak back to visit the home they fled, but miss so much. I realised Iran is about these contradictions. I saw pirated copies of biographies of Steve Jobs selling fast in Iran, but that hasn’t made them any less hostile to the U.K. or the U.S.A.,” he said.

200 cultures

“Today, we are 200 cultures divided by a common frame of reference. Travelling is not for the sights, but to get a new set of eyes and it’s not about to move, but about being moved. A photographer working on the refugee crisis once said that when you see statistics, you see despair, and when you see faces, you see hope. We need to travel to make statistics into faces and instill hope in us,” he said.

Mahatma Gandhi forces us to ‘tackle the fascist within us’, says historian



Books on sale at the Bangalore Literature Festival. K. MURALI KUMAR

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Practising Gandhianism is what humankind needs today, even in the context of climate change, but it is unlikely to happen, said noted scholar Sudhir Chandra, speaking at a panel on “Why the Mahatma matters?” at Bengaluru Literary Festival on Saturday.

Historian Vinay Lal, another panellist, said a large segment of Indian middle class had “abandoned Gandhi.” However, the Gandhian tradition is often reinvented like in the case of Shaheen Bagh, a protest by women.

To a question on whether Gandhian thought was a good source to build anti-fascist politics, Mr. Chandra said with Gandhi it is always back to the basics. “It is a simple act of saying no and facing its consequences,” he said. Mr. Lal said Gandhi forces us to look inside and “tackle the fascist within us”. Gandhi during the last year of his life, responding to large-scale violence during the partition, revised his views on the role of non-violence in the freedom struggle, said Mr. Chandra. His prayer speeches during April 1947-January 1948 reveal Gandhiji asking a simple question: if the country and the freedom movement was following non-violence for the past 30 years, how could they turn so violent overnight?

“He found an answer. He said satyagraha was the non-violence of the brave, but he concluded that India had followed a ‘nishkriy pratirodh’ (passive resistance), non-violence of the weak. He quotes Annie Beasant who said a pebble at the British gets a bullet back and that is why Gandhi had so many followers. Gandhi says non-violence of the weak is only a preparation for violence,” Mr. Chandra said, adding that the country must prepare for an era of non-violence of the brave.

Two more held for abetting suicide of Dalit youth

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Nangali police on Saturday arrested two people for allegedly abetting the suicide of a 25-year-old youth over road rage in Mulbagal taluk in Kolar on Wednesday.

The accused have been identified as Shivaraj and Gopalakrishna. The police had arrested another accused, Munivenkatappa, on Friday. All the accused, farmers by profession, had confronted the deceased Uday Kiran, from the Dalit community, and allegedly beaten him up over riding the bike in a rash and negligent manner after tying him to a roadside tree. The accused had even called Kiran’s uncle to inform him, who came to his rescue and later took him to his farmhouse from where he escaped and later ended life allegedly due to humiliation.

Based on the complaint by the uncle, the Nangali police have registered a case and arrested the accused. Police said that Uday Kiran was involved in a riot and murder case registered in 2019 and was out on bail.

Discussion with former Kerala Finance Minister

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Bengaluru Collective will hold a public discussion with Thomas Isaac, former Finance Minister of Kerala , on ‘The phony debate on freebies: A co-ordinated attack on democracy and welfare’ on Sunday in Bengaluru.

It explained the theme of the discussion: ‘Welfare measures that benefit a majority of the population are derisively termed freebies, while public expenditure that benefits the rich are considered incentives by proponents. This is a veiled attack on the democratic rights of political parties to freely articulate the needs and aspirations of the people’. The discussion begins at 11 a.m. at Insurance Corporation Employees Union, CSI compound, Mission Road, Near Subbaiah Circle.

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O.S No. 25273/2022
Between
ICICI Bank Limited having its Registered Office at ICICI Tower, Near Chakli Circle, Old Padra Road, Vadodara- 390007 And its Branch Office at Mythri Centre, No. 4/10, Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560068 ...Plaintiff
And
Mr. SAA Javad ...Defendant
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT
To,
Mr. SAA Javad
Aged about 62 years,
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Given under my hand and the seal of this Court, this 14th day of November, 2022.
By order of the Court,
Deputy Registrar,
City Civil Court, Mayo Hall Unit, Bangalore
Advocate for Plaintiff
Shiva & Co. Advocates,
No. 109, Commerce House,
9/1, Cunningham Road,
Bangalore- 560052

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF THE LXXXII ADDITIONAL CC&SJ COMMERCIAL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE AT MAYO HALL, BANGALORE CCH-83
COM O.S No. 1573/2022
Between
ICICI Bank Limited having its Registered Office at Landmark, Race- Course Circle, Vadodara- 390007, having its head office at and branch office at No.4/10, Mythree tower, Bommanahalli, Hosur main road, Bengaluru-560068 through its Authorised representative.
Mr. Rohith Ali M ...Plaintiff
And
M/s. Veerappa Grandson & other ...Defendants
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Represented by its Proprietor-Prabhakar S.
b) Prabhakar S.
S/o. Shanmugam, Aged about 33 Years, Residing at No. 115/A, 5th Main, 6th Cross Chamarajpet, Bangalore-560018, Email: Prabhu222555@gmail.com
...Defendants
Whereas the plaintiff above named has instituted the above suit for recovery of money for sum of Rs. 10,15,990.89/- along with interest at the rate of 24% P.A. against you, and you are summoned to appear before the LXXXII Addl. City Civil & Sessions Judge at Bengaluru (C.C.H-83), in person or by a pleader, on the day of 11-01-2023 at 11:00 AM to answer the claim, failing to which the suit would be disposed of Ex-Parte.
Given under my hand and seal of the Court, on this the 1st day of December, 2022. at Bangalore.
By order of the Court,
Assistant Registrar,
Hon'ble City Civil Court,
Bengaluru
Advocate for Plaintiff
B.S. Jeevan Kumar Vidhii Partners, Advocates,
No.701, Queens Corner 'A',
3 Queens Road,
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PUBLIC NOTICE

BEFORE THE ADDITIONAL DISTRICT JUDGE AT CHENGALPET
O.S.No.164 of 2022
Mrs. Manonmani Pandian ...Plaintiff
-Vs-
Mrs.Premalatha and 2 others ...Defendants
To
Mrs.V.Shasirekha, D/o. Mr.N.Vasudevan,
No.42, 5th Cross Ground Floor,
Malleshpalaya Gacienda Club Road,
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Take notice that the above suit has been filed by my client against you before the Hon'ble Additional District Judge at Chengalpet. In the said suit, the Hon'ble Additional District Judge at Chengalpet was pleased to order notice to you. Kindly appear before the Hon'ble Additional District Judge at Chengalpet on 20.01.2023 at 10.30 am either in person or through counsel failing which the matter will be decided in your absence.
Mrs.Thenmozhi ShivaPerumal
Counsel for Plaintiff

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF THE 28th ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE AT MAYO HALL, BANGALORE CCH-29
O.S No. 25304/2019
Between
ICICI Bank Limited having its Registered Office at ICICI Tower, Near Chakli Circle, Old Padra Road, Vadodara- 390007 And its Branch Office at Mythri Centre, No. 4/10, Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560068 ...Plaintiff
And
Mr. Narendra Kumar J.M. ...Defendant
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT
To
Mr. Narendra Kumar J.M.
Aged about 38 years, S/o. Munikalappa R/a: 15, Srinivasa Nilaya, 2nd Main, 4th Block, Muneshwaraswamy Layout, DB Sandra, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore-560097 ...Defendant
Whereas the Plaintiff has instituted the above proceedings against you seeking recovery of Rs.3,15,579.27/- as on 04/10/2018 along with interest at 18% p.a and other consequential reliefs. You are hereby summoned to appear before the 28th Additional City Civil & Sessions Judge, Mayo Hall Unit, Bangalore [CCH- 29] in person or by a pleader duly insructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the above proceedings on 03/01/2023 at 11:00 A.M. Take notice that in default of your appearance on the day mentioned before, the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and the seal of this Court, this 14th day of November, 2022.
By order of the Court,
Deputy Registrar,
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The accused, working for a private firm in the city, crawled into the duct of a PG accommodation in Hulimavu-Begur and recorded a video of a woman taking a bath. The accused, living in the adjacent PG, then managed to source her number and started blackmailing her from a U.S. number, demanding sexual favours. The woman initially ignored the calls, but was shocked when the accused sent her the video clip.

Unable to bear the harassment, she approached the police. The police laid a trap and messaged the accused and consented to meet up. The accused booked a hotel room for the meeting with a promise to delete the video for good. A team of police pinned him down in the room. The accused confessed about how he climbed the PG using pipes and crawled into the duct and took the video.

The accused has been booked under blackmailing, sexual harassment, and outraging the modesty of a woman.

"Anybody who notices suspicious behaviour or is the victim of such incidents should report to us immediately," C.K. Baba, DCP (southeast), said.

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The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

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ಈ 3 ಮತಕ್ಷೇತ್ರಗಳ ಅರ್ಹ ಮತದಾರರು ಇದರ ಸದುಪಯೋಗಪಡಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವಂತೆ ಕೋರಲಾಗಿದೆ.
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FIFA World Cup 2022

The best team from the World Cup group stage

The writers covering the Qatar World Cup for the **Associated Press** have chosen their standout players in the tournament so far and formed the best team of the group stage. Lionel Messi and Kylian Mbappe are in there, along with surprise names who have helped to cause some of the many big upsets and others who are putting themselves in the shop window for post-tournament transfers. The selection was made using the 4-3-3 formation preferred by most teams at this World Cup.

Forward
LIONEL MESSI (ARGENTINA)

Less is proving more for the 35-year-old Messi at the World Cup. He walks around for much of his matches, often letting play develop without getting involved, then explodes into life when he does get the ball. His display in the decisive group match against Poland was inspirational, recovering from missing a first-half penalty to guide Argentina to victory. He has two goals already and is now four wins from a legacy-defining first World Cup title.

Goalkeeper
WOJCIECH SZCZESNY (POLAND)

Forget Lewandowski — Szczesny is the reason why Poland has reached the knockouts for the first time since 1986. The Juventus goalkeeper has saved penalties against Saudi Arabia and Argentina, denying Lionel Messi with one of them. Szczesny produced arguably the save of the tournament, too, when tipping over a close-range blast by Salem Aldawsari from the rebound after blocking the Saudi striker's spot kick. He has made more saves — 18 — than any goalkeeper.

Right-back
ACHRAF HAKIMI (MOROCCO)

Hakimi has transferred his club form with Paris Saint-Germain to the World Cup and is the relentlessly attacking right back of one of the surprise teams of the tournament, helping Morocco top a group that included Croatia and Belgium. He is tied for the most tackles made (13) and has weighed in with two assists, including a raking pass for Youssef En-Nesyri's for what proved to be the winning goal against Canada.

Centre-back
HARRY SOUTTAR (AUSTRALIA)

Souttar, the tallest outfield player at the World Cup at 6-foot-6 (1.98-meters), is delivering one of the storylines of the tournament. He only returned from ACL surgery weeks before the tournament but has been putting his body on the line for Australia with his many blocks and last-ditch tackles. That helped the Socceroos preserve clean sheets against Tunisia and Denmark to get into the last 16 for just the second time.

Forward
KYLIAN MBAPPE (FRANCE)

Mbappe, the star of the 2018 World Cup, is looking a good bet for the Golden Boot four years later after scoring three goals in his first two games before being brought on as a late substitute in France's third game. Mbappe is playing on the left side of France's forward three to accommodate Olivier Giroud and he looks at home there, using his pace and crossing ability — he set up one of Giroud's goals against Australia — while also making well-timed runs at the far post. He has had a tournament-high 16 shots.

Left-back
ALPHONSO DAVIES (CANADA)

Canada has already gone home but, in Davies, it has a player who could easily have graced the knockout stage. The Bayern Munich left-back was at his rampaging best in Canada's unfortunate 1-0 loss to Belgium, despite missing a penalty. Davies burst into the area to head in Canada's first ever World Cup goal in the loss to Croatia, before delivering the cross that was turned in for an own-goal in the defeat by Morocco. He should be a poster boy for the 2026 tournament co-hosted by Canada.

Midfielder
CASEMIRO (BRAZIL)

Casemiro is the midfield shield for a Brazil defence that didn't concede in its first two group games, helping the team ease into the last 16. A master at controlling matches and positioning himself perfectly to ward off danger at the base of midfield, he also showed he has an attacking threat by popping up to score the late winner against Switzerland.

Midfielder
ANTOINE GRIEZMANN (FRANCE)

Griezmann has been deployed in a different position by France coach Didier Deschamps, as one of two attacking players in a central-midfield three. He has been a revelation, finding pockets of space and demonstrating his creativity with short and long passes. He has created 11 chances, more than any other player in the tournament.

Midfielder
BRUNO FERNANDES (PORTUGAL)

In his role as Portugal's playmaker, Fernandes had a hand in four of the team's five goals — scoring twice and assisting twice — in its wins over Ghana and Uruguay that secured a last-16 spot with a match to spare, before getting rested for the loss against South Korea. Cristiano Ronaldo continues to hog the spotlight for Portugal but it's Fernandes, his former Manchester United teammate, running the show behind him with his vision and non-stop running.

Forward
CODY GAKPO (NETHERLANDS)

The 23-year-old Gakpo was already in demand before the World Cup. After scoring in each of the Netherlands' group matches, he has virtually assured himself a big-money move either in January or in the offseason, with Manchester United already heavily linked. His composure in front of goal has been notable, along with an ability to score off either foot. With Memphis Depay not fully match sharp, Gakpo is shouldering the attacking burden for the Dutch.

Centre-back
JOSKO GVARDIOL (CROATIA)

Known as "Little Pep" because of the similarities of his last name with that of Manchester City manager Pep Guardiola, Gvardiol is the hulking figure marshalling the defense of Croatia team that has conceded only one goal in its three group games. He is only 20 and one of the most sought-after centre-backs in the European game. Gvardiol is wearing a face mask at the World Cup because he broke his nose playing for Leipzig in the German league last month.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, **G.D. Choodamani,** would like to inform that I had taken housing loan from State Bank of India, Padhmanabhanagara Branch, Bangalore during January 1992. I deposited my original property document Number 6503/91-92 of my house No. 23, 2nd Cross, Govinayakana Halli. Kumaraswamy layout, Bengaluru 560078. The documents I deposited with them were 1.Original sale deed bearing No. 6503/91-92 registered at Kengeri Registration Office, Bengaluru. 2.Original Khatha certificate. 3.Original Encumbrance Certificate and Tax paid receipts. On repayment of my loan I requested to return the original documents. They informed in writing that they have lost/misplaced the original documents of my house property. I have filed an e-lost report with Subramanyapura police station, Bangalore, below are the details Lost Report No. 0365739/2022 Serial No.: 365739 Dated: 23-Oct-2022. I request if anyone finds them, kindly contact me at **9945565673** or **9945065672** ,within 15 days from the date of this advertisement.

GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
TYPE OF CONTRACT: RATE TENDER SYSTEM-LUMPSUM CONTRACT (PRE QUALIFICATION TWO COVER SYSTEM)

TENDER NOTICE NO: 27 SE/BCMC/SVG/2022-2023/Dt:29.11.2022

For and on behalf of the Governor of Tamil Nadu, sealed tenders are invited by the Superintending Engineer, PWD Buildings (C&M) circle, Sivagangai from the Registered Contractors of PWD for the following work noted below by the undersigned up to 3.00 PM on Dated **03.01.2023** The tenders so received as stated above Prequalification application only will be opened at 3.30 PM on the same day. The tender schedule will be available for sale from **01.12.2022 to 02.01.2023 upto 5.45 PM** in the Circle Office

1) Name of work: 1) Construction of 50 bedded Critical Care block in Government Medical College Hospital at Sivagangai in Sivagangai District 2) Construction of additional CEmONC block at Government Medical College Hospital at Sivagangai in Sivagangai District 3) Strengthening of the Government Head Quarters Hospital at Paramakudi in Ramanathapuram District 4) Construction of Additional Building in Government Hospital at Rajapalayam in Virudhunagar District 5) Strengthening of the Government Head Quarters Hospital at Aruppukottai in Virudhunagar District **II) Approx Values in Lakhs+GST:** 1) Rs. 1648.00 2) Rs.831.00 3) Rs.3725.00 4) Rs.3490.00 5) Rs.2640.00 **III) E.M.D amount** 1)Rs.8,34,000/-, 2)Rs.4,25,500/- Executive Engineer, PWD,Buildings (C&M) Division, Sivagangai. 3) Rs.18,72,500/- Executive Engineer, PWD,Buildings (C&M) Division, Ramanathapuram 4) Rs.17,55,000/- & 5) Rs.13,30,000/- Executive Engineer, PWD,Buildings (C&M) Division, Virudhunagar **IV) Period of Completion**-Sl.No.1-18 Months, Sl.No.2-15 Months, Sl.No.3-22 Months, SL.No.4-18 Months, SL.No.5-22 Months. **V) Cost of Tender schedule + GST** in Rs - Rs.15000 + Rs.2,700/- (Sl.No.1 to 5) **VI) Eligible Registration of Contractors**-Sl.No.1 Class-1 Money Limit from Rs.10.00 Crores to Rs.25.00 Crores & above (State level) SLNO. 2-Class-II Money Limit from Rs.5.00 Crores to Rs.10.00 Crores & above (State level). SL.No.3 to 5 Class - IA Money Limit above Rs.25.00 Crores.(State Level)

For further details and tender documents visit the website **www.tenders.tn.gov.in, and www.tntenders.gov.in.**

Superintending Engineer, PWD Buildings (C&M) Circle Sivagangai

DIPR / 5289 / TENDER / 2022

சோதனை கடந்து சுதந்திரம் அடைந்தோம் சாதனை புரிந்து சரித்திரம் படைப்போம்

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
MINOR IRRIGATION & GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER MINOR IRRIGATION & GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT DIVISION, BELAGAVI.
PH NO.0831-2463850 / FAX NO.0831-2423008

No.EE /MI&GWDDD/BGM/TND/JE/2022-23/ 4315 Date: 02-12-2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (KW-3 & 4)

As per KTTP Act-2000 and recent Amendments the Executive Engineer Minor Irrigation & Ground Water Development Department Division Belagavi has invited the item rate TENDER through E-Procurement Portal System (https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in). Pertaining to Belagavi/ Gokak Sub Divisions Bailhongal & Gokak Talukas. Total 3 Nos. of work under 4702/TSP 2022-23 Head. Estimate Amount is Lowest Rs.51.00Lakhs and Highest Rs.251.00 Lakhs. The contractor should quote rates without adding GST except for KEB items of LIS work. The GST amount will be paid separately. In case of extension period of work, if GST rates are increased then the contractor himself should pay the increased GST amount. The work details can be obtained from 06-12-2022 to 13-12-2022 upto 16.00 hrs.

Note: The intending bidder should visit the concerned works spot and get familiar with the nature of work. Certificate has to be obtained from the concerned Assistant Executive Engineer about visiting the above works spot and it should be uploaded in the tender.

1. Pre bid meeting date12-12-2022 at Morning 11.00 AM 2. Tender Receipt Last Date 14-12-2022 Evening 4.00 PM 3. Tender Opening Date 15-12-2022 Evening 4.30 PM (if possible) 4. For Tender Details office address Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation & Ground Water Development Department Division Belagavi 5. Web Site Address wwe.e-proc.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/-Executive Engineer, M.I & GWDD Division, Belagavi.

DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-1309/MCA/2022-23

KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAM LIMITED
(Government of Karnataka)
Executive Engineer, KNNL, MRBCC Division No. 1, Nargund Dist : Gadag
Tel No. 08377-244236 E-mail : knnlestablishment@gmail.com
No.KNNL/MRBCC.Div-1/PB/Tender/2022-23/1945 Dt : 01-12-2022

TENDER NOTIFICATION Call-2
(Through Gov. e-Procurment plat form only)

Reference : 1) This Office Tender Notification No.1272 dt :15.09.2022
2) This Office Corrigendum Tender Notification No.1569 dt:20.10.2022
3) This Office Corrigendum Tender Notification No.1576 dt:25.10.2022

The tender has invited through e-procurement platform in two cover system on turnkey basis as per KW-4 from eligible contractors registered in public works department by the under signed on behalf of the Managing Director, KNNL 4th Floor, Coffee Board Building Dr. B.R Ambedkar Veedhi Banglore-560001.

Name of Work : Repalcement of existing P.S.C pipes to MS Rising main of Banahatti LIS, Surkod LIS, Khanapur LIS & Redder Nagnur LIS of Nargund Constituency including Operation and Maintainance for a period of five years on Turnkey Basis. (Phase -1), Amount Put Tender (Rs. In Lakhs) (Excluding GST) **3840.00,** EMD Amount (Rs. In Lakhs) (Including GST) **45.31**

(1) Contractors can download the blank tender documents through e-portal Dtd : 01-12-2022. (2) Pre-bid meeting will be Conducted on **06-12-2022** at 12.00 PM. in the O/o The Managing Director, KNNL, 4th Floor, coffee Board building No.1, Dr. B.R.Ambedkar Veedhi Benglore-560001. (3) Last date of submission of completed e-tenders Dt : **14-12-2022** up to 4.00 PM. (4) i) Technical bid Opening Dtd : **16-12-2022** After 11:00 AM ii) Verification of original documents from Dtd : **17-12-2022** to Dtd : **19-12-2022**. iii) Financial Bid : After approval of technical bid, the financial bid will be opened.

Further information can be had from the under signed during the office hours on telephone **08377-244236**.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, KNNL MRBCC Divn. No. 1, Nargund.

DIPR/Gadag/MCA/472/2022-23

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that my clients intend to purchase the property described in the schedule hereunder from its present owner **Sri. K. Dhananjaya,** son of late Kempaiah, residing at No.688, SLV Nilaya, near Kumbeshwara Choultry, Kumbarapeta, Malur Town-563130, Kolar District, he having acquired title to the same under a Partition Deed dated 17.10.2019 registered as Document No.MLR-1-04446/2019-20, stored in CD No. MLRD372, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Malur Taluk.

All persons/ firms/ companies/ banks/ financial institutions having or claiming any right, title, estate or interest by way of inheritance, share, sale, mortgage, transfer, lease, tenancy, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement, gift, devise, bequest, exchange, pre-emption, possession or encumbrance or otherwise howsoever into or upon the Schedule Property herein below described, are called upon to intimate the same in writing to the undersigned, at the below given address ,along with all the documents relating to such claim within **7 days** from the date of publication of this notice, failing which any such claim of any party shall be deemed to have been waived for all legal practical purposes and shall not be entertained hereafter and I shall opine that the Schedule Property is free of any claims and my clients will proceed with the purchase of the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the agricultural land bearing **Sy No. 60/1,** measuring **3 Acres 29 Guntas** situated in **Nachohalli Village,** Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar District and bounded as follows:

On the East by : Property in Sy No. 66
On the West by : Property in Sy No. 61/2
On the North by : Property in Sy No. 65/1
On the South by : Property in Sy No. 60/2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Vivek Anand Anthony Britto
Vir Anthony Britto
Advocates
"Daisville", 633, 5th Main, Indiranagar II Stage, Bengaluru-560038
Place: Bengaluru Date: 03.12.2022

UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES BENGALURU
Estate Office, GKVK, Bengaluru - 560 065.

No. EO/TN/488/2022-23 Date:28.11.2022

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-Procurement Portal only)

The University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru has invited sealed Item wise Tender in prescribed form in Duplicate as per Tender Notice from the Registered Travel Agencies and Excavators (JCB) Agencies/contractors for supply of Cars & Excavator vehicle(JCB) & Labour for excavation on hire basis in Two cover system for the works Sl. No.1 and 2. The details of the notification is available in the website **https ://www.uasbangalore.edu.in**

The Tender forms will be issued on all working days during office hours. The Agencies/contractors are required to produce the following certificates in person duly attested along with the application to be eligible to get the blank tender forms from the undersigned. **(1)** Company Registration Certificate. **(2)** GST Registration Certificate & GST paid details; **(3)** Certificate for having completed work of similar nature during the past 3 years satisfactorily with any Govt. or Semi-Government Organization. **(4)** Copy of the PAN issued by Income Tax Department. **(5)** Annual Turnover Certificate & Profit & Loss statement of previous 3 years not less than **Rs.3.00 lakh** per annum. **(6)** Details of Man power. **(7)** Details of latest vehicle with RC book.

The tender form will be issued to the eligible applicants after scrutiny of the ORIGINAL CERTIFICATES and after paying tender fee of **Rs.1000/-**. Incomplete applications will not be accepted. The filled in Tender forms of each work should be submitted along with the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) **Rs.30,000/-** in the form of Demand Draft (DD) only drawn in favour of Comptroller, UAS, GKVK, Bangalore. For more details please contact this office during working hour, Phone No.080-23332765.

Last date for receipt of application for tender forms & Issue of Tender documents is **12.12.2022 upto 4:00 P.M**. Last date for receipt of FILLED IN Tender Documents is **13.12.2022 upto 3:00 P.M.** Pre-bid meeting will be held in the Tender Committee Room of Estate Office on **14.12.2022 at 11:30 A.M.** Opening of Technical bid on **14.12.2022 at 11:30 A.M.** and Opening of Financial Bid on **16.12.2022 at 11:30 A.M.**

Sd/- Estate Officer.

DIPR/CP/JA/3363/2022-23

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ
ಟಿ. ಚೌಡಯ್ಯ ರಸ್ತೆ, ಕುಮಾರ ಪಾರ್ಕ್ ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು–560 020.
ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ವಿಶೇಷ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಾಧಿಕಾರಿ–06 ರವರ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಅಭೂಸ್ವಾಅ/ ಪ್ರ.ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: PRR–2/20/2022–23 ದಿನಾಂಕ:03.12.2022

ಪತ್ರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

"PRR-2" Major Arterial Road ಸಲುವಾಗಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಉತ್ತರ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ಯಶವಂತಪುರ ಹೋಬಳಿ. ಶೀಗೆಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಕನ್ನಲ್ಲಿ, ಕೊಡಿಗೇಹಳ್ಳಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ದಕ್ಷಿಣ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು ಕೆಂಗೇರಿ ಹೋಬಳಿ, ಕಂಭೀಪುರ, ಚಳ್ಳಘಟ್ಟ, ಕೆ.ಕೃಷ್ಣರಾಜಸಾಗರ, ಭೀಮನಕುಪ್ಪೆ, ಕೊಮ್ಮಘಟ್ಟ, ಸೂಲಿಕೆರೆ, ಕೆಂಚನಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮದಲ್ಲಿನ ಜಮೀನನ್ನು ಸ್ವಾಧೀನಕ್ಕೆ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 1976 ಕಲಂ 19(1)ರ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರವು ಅಂತಿಮ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ ಯುಡಿಡಿ/169/ಎಂಎನ್ಎಕ್ಸ್/2011, ದಿನಾಂಕ.27.07.2011ರಂದು ಹೊರಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಆದೇಶ ಸಂ.ನಅಇ/444/ಬೆಂಭೂಸ್ವಾ/2017, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ದಿನಾಂಕ.11.01.2018ರ ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾವನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ವಿವರಿಸಿರುವ ಅಂಶಗಳ ಹಿನ್ನೆಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಾಡಪ್ರಭು ಕೆಂಪೇಗೌಡ ಬಡಾವಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾದುಹೋಗುವ ಪಿ.ಆರ್.ಆರ್–2 ರಸ್ತೆ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಪಡಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಅಂತಿಮ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ ಹೊರಡಿಸಿರುವ 321 ಎಕರೆ 10 ಗುಂಟೆ ಜಮೀನುಗಳಿಗೆ ಶೇಕಡ 50:50 ರ ಅನುಪಾತದಲ್ಲಿ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದಿಂದ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಪಡಿಸಲಾದ ಜಮೀನಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪಡಿಸಿದ ನಿವೇಶನಗಳನ್ನು ನೀಡಲು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಮಂಜೂರಾತಿ ನೀಡಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಅಂತಿಮ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆಯಂತೆ ಈ ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಗ್ರಾಮಗಳ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂಬರುಗಳಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಖಾತೆದಾರರು/ಅನುಭವದಾರರು/ಭೂಮಾಲೀಕರಿಗೆ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 1894 ಕಲಂ 9 & 10 ರಡಿ ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ನೋಟಿಸ್ ಜಾರಿ ಮಾಡಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂಬರು ಭೂಮಾಲೀಕರಿಗೆ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 9 ಮತ್ತು 10ರಡಿ ಜಾರಿ ಮಾಡಲಾದ ನೋಟಿಸ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಜಾರಿ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದು, ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಜಮೀನುಗಳಿಗೆ ಐತೀರ್ಪು ಅನುಮೋದನೆಯಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಖಾತೆದಾರರು/ಅನುಭವದಾರರು/ಭೂಮಾಲೀಕರಿಗೆ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ ಕಲಂ 12(2)ರಡಿ ನೋಟಿಸ್ ಜಾರಿ ಮಾಡಲಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ಒಂದು ವೇಳೆ 12(2)ರಡಿ ನೋಟಿಸ್ ತಲುಪದೇ ಇದ್ದ ಪಕ್ಷದಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಮೇಲಿನ ಪತ್ರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯನ್ನು 12(2)ನೋಟಿಸ್ ಎಂದು ಭಾವಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು, **ದಿನಾಂಕ:09.12.2022ರಂದು ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ** ಸದರಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಜಮೀನುಗಳ ಭೂಮಾಲೀಕರು ನಿಮ್ಮ ಜಮೀನಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾಜರಿದ್ದು ಸದರಿ ಜಮೀನುಗಳ ಸ್ವಾಧೀನವನ್ನು ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ನೀಡಲು ಸೂಚಿಸಿದೆ. ತಪ್ಪಿದಲ್ಲಿ ಸದರಿ 12(2) ನೋಟಿಸ್‌ನ್ನು ಜಮೀನಿನ ಮೇಲೆ ಜಾರಿ ಮಾಡಿ ಕಾನೂನು ರೀತಿಯ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯ ಕಲಂ 16(1)ರಡಿ ಜಮೀನಿನ ಸ್ವಾಧೀನವನ್ನು ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಪಡೆಯಲಾಗುವುದೆಂದು ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ತಿಳಿಯಪಡಿಸಿದೆ.

ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು: ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ದಕ್ಷಿಣ ಹೋಬಳಿ: ಕೆಂಗೇರಿ ಗ್ರಾಮ: ಚಳ್ಳಘಟ್ಟ

LAC NO.	Khathedar	Sy.No.	Extent A - G	
10/2011-12	S.K. Venkatesh bin late Krishnaiah	4	1	34
07/2011-12	Muttappa S/o Doddaguttappa, K S Siddalingappa S/o Shivanna, Nagaraju S/o Gangamma, Srinivas S/o Gangamma, A Dhananjaya S/o Agasthaiah, Anjinappa bin Sanjeevaiah.	1/4A	2	20
11/2011-12	Marihuchappa S/o Sanna Huchappa	7	0	03
13/2011-12	Hanumaiah S/o Chennappa	9/1A	3	26
16/2011-12	Javarilal S/o Mongilal	9/3	0	10
20/2011-12	Muninarasappa S/o Marichannappa	18/3	0	05

ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು:ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ದಕ್ಷಿಣ ಹೋಬಳಿ: ಕೆಂಗೇರಿ ಗ್ರಾಮ: ಸೂಲಿಕೆರೆ

LAC NO.	Khathedar	Sy.No.	Extent A - G	
60/2011-12	Kariyappa bin late Timmaiah, G. Thimmappaiah bin Gangaiah.	3/6	0	16
59/2012-12	Kalappa bin late Sannamuniyappa, B.Muddappa, Venkatesh bin late Sannamuniyappa,	3/1	0	03

ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು:ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ದಕ್ಷಿಣ ಹೋಬಳಿ: ಕೆಂಗೇರಿ ಗ್ರಾಮ: ಭೀಮನಕುಪ್ಪೆ

LAC NO.	Khathedar	Sy.No.	Extent A - G	
47/2011-12	Viswanath Sriyen, Parameshwar Sriyen	32/3	0	01

ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು:ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ದಕ್ಷಿಣ ಹೋಬಳಿ: ಕೆಂಗೇರಿ ಗ್ರಾಮ: ಕೆಂಚನಪುರ

LAC NO.	Khathedar	Sy.No.	Extent A - G	
113/2011-12	S.Sudeep S/o. M.Sathyanarana, S.Pradeep S/o. M.Sathyanarayana	60	0	18

ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು:ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ದಕ್ಷಿಣ ಹೋಬಳಿ: ಕೆಂಗೇರಿ ಗ್ರಾಮ: ಕೊಮ್ಮಘಟ್ಟ

LAC NO.	Khathedar	Sy.No.	Extent A - G	
54/2011-12	Karagappa s/o Muniyappa Urf Pulisappa	118	0	38
55/2011-12	M: Padmasri Charitable Trust for Sathish & D: Ashwathnarayan C.N	144	0	15
56/2011-12	M: Padmasri Charitable Trust for Sathish & D: Ashwathnarayan C.N	145	2	10

ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು:ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಉತ್ತರ ಹೋಬಳಿ: ಯಶವಂತಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮ: ಕನ್ನಲ್ಲಿ

LAC NO.	Khathedar	Sy.No.	Extent A - G	
125/2011-12	C Byrappa S/o Chikkanna	64/1	1	29
133/2011-12	Mariyappa S/o Venkatappa, Pillamma D/o Venkatesh ,Bhadraiah S/o Chikka Venkatappa Mariyamma W/o late Venkatappa	100/1	1	02
118/2011-12	Huchchamma D/o Veerappa, Bhagyamma D/o Kombaiah, Sharadamma W/o Doddathimmarayappa, Sarvamma W/o. late Parvathappa, K.T Prasanna kumar S/o.Doddathimmarayappa	58/2	0	28
119/2011-12	Timmaiah S/o Sanjeevaiah	58/3	1	25
120/2011-12	Timmaiah S/o Sanjeevaiah	58/4	0	13
132/2011-12	R Giriyappa S/o Late Chikka Rangappa, Maregowda S/o late Venkataramanappa, Lakshmma, Vandna W/o Akil, (Conversion)	69	0	1

ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು:ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಉತ್ತರ ಹೋಬಳಿ: ಯಶವಂತಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮ: ಶೀಗೆಹಳ್ಳಿ

LAC NO.	Khathedar	Sy.No.	Extent A - G	
148/2011-12	P. Nagaratnamma kom late Papanna, Siddamma kom late H. Shivanna, Bhagyalakshmi kom K.Shreenivas	71/1	0	20
151/2011-12	Kamalamma W/o Govindaraju, Gangamma W/o Kempeeraiah, G.Komalamma W/o T.V.Rangegowda, Gruhadevi kom H. Ugranarasimhaiah.	75	0	17
152/2011-12	B.K.Ramachandra S/o B.K.Krishnamurty, H.N.Savitri, N.Manjula W/o S.S.Anant, H.N.Indira W/o S.S.Chantrashekhar, J.N.Lakshmikant S/o J.R.Narasimhamurty, B.Vishwanath	76	0	13

ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು:ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಉತ್ತರ ಹೋಬಳಿ: ದಾಸನಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮ: ಮಾಚೋಹಳ್ಳಿ

LAC NO.	Khathedar	Sy.No.	Extent A - G	
164/2011-12	M.Puttaraju S/o Mariyappa, M.Channakeshava S/o Mariyappa	134/1	3	30
165/2011-12	H Manjunatha bin late Doddahanumantaiah	134/2	0	10
166/2011-12	M.Puttaraju S/o Mariyappa, M.Channakeshava S/o Mariyappa	135/1	2	13
167/2011-12	H.Manjunath	135/2	0	05
168/2011-12	M.Puttaraju S/o Mariyappa, M.Channakeshava S/o Mariyappa	136/1	5	15
169/2011-12	M.Puttaraju , M.Channakeshava	137/1	4	22
170/2011-12	Chikkamma Srinivas, Chandrashekaraiah, D. Puttaswamy bin late H. Doddegowda, B.R.Bhaskar bin B. Rangaswamy, S. Dakshinamurthy bin late V. Subramani	138/1	0	07

ಸಹಿ/–
ಅಪರ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಾಧಿಕಾರಿ,
ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು

PUBLIC NOTICE
Applicant's Advocate Shri B.H. Mankad Exh. 09

IN THE CITY CIVIL COURT AT AHMEDABAD
Civil Miscellaneous Application No. 816/2022

Applicant : **Mr. Yogesh Narendra Kumar Badlani** S/O Late Mr. Narendra Kumar Badlani & Late Mrs. Mohini Narendra Kumar Badlani

Residing at : 101, Brick Home Apartments, Gulbai Tekra, Ahmedabad-380006.

Subject : An application for obtaining succession certificate of movable property of deceased (1) Late Mr. Narendra Kumar Badlani (2) Late Mrs. Mohini Narendra Kumar Badlani

It is hereby, vide this public notice, informed to all persons and all those individuals having interest and related to this matter that Late Mr. Narendra Kumar Badlani has expired on 03/01/2021 at Abu Dhabi, UAE and Late Mrs. Mohini Narendra Kumar Badlani has expired on 25/08/2021 at Bangalore. The applicant has tendered the present application to obtain Succession Certificate in respect of the movable property of both the deceased.

The Immovable Properties of Late Mr. Narendra Kumar Badlani as under : (1) Gold Ornaments in the bank locker No. 390 A in Bank of Baroda, Prithvi Raj Marg, Ajmer (2) Saving Bank Account bearing Account No. 01230100012801 having balance of Rs. 21,752/- with Bank of Baroda, Prithvi Raj Marg, Ajmer (3) Saving Bank Account bearing Account No. 01230100013146 having balance of Rs. 34,841/- with Bank of Baroda, Prithvi Raj Marg, Ajmer (4) Term Deposit Account No. 01230300006815 having balance of Rs. 8,71,552/- with Bank of Baroda, Prithvi Raj Marg, Ajmer (5) Term Deposit Account bearing Account No. 01230300006817 having balance of Rs. 82,16,366/- with Bank of Baroda, Prithvi Raj Marg, Ajmer. (6) Term Deposit Account bearing Account No. 05200300019788 having balance of Rs. 18,49,316/- with Bank of Baroda, Malleswaram, Branch at Bangalore. The Immovable Properties of Late Mr. Narendra Kumar Badlani and Late Mrs. Mohini Narendra Kumar Badlani as Under Term Deposit Account No. 01230300000159 with balance of Rs. 23,557/- with Bank of Baroda, Ajmer Prithvi Raj Marg Branch.

The sum total of movable properties mentioned as above is Rs. 1,24,75,234/- (Rupees One Crore Twenty Four Lakh Seventy Five Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty Four Only).

If any person or individual is having any kind of objection in the applicant being given the Succession Certificate of late Mr. Narendra Kumar Badlani and Late Mrs. Mohini Narendra Kumar Badlani in respect of the movable property described in the application of the applicant, then he/she shall remain present before this court on 07/01/23 at 11.00 A.M. Either in person or through Advocate, failing which, the application shall be disposed in accordance with law after hearing the parties having remained present, which all concerned may take note of.

Given under my hand and seal the court this 29th day of November, 2022.

Prepared by (V. N. Priyadarshi) Assistant — COURT SEAL — Compared by (M. V. Pandya) Banch Clerk — (A. P. Joshi) Registrar City Civil Court Bhadra, Lal Darwaja, Ahmedabad.

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer, Vijayanagar Division, Shasakara Bhavan, 1st Floor, 3rd Main Road, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru - 560040

No: EE(VJN)/AE/TN/GL-14/2022-23 Date: 02-12-2022

CORRIGENDUM - 1

Sub: Regarding Postponement of Receipt of Tender Schedule 'B' and Date of Opening of Tender.

Ref.: Tender Notification No: EE/VJN/AE/TN/GL-14/ 22-23, Dated: 17-11-2022.

With reference to the above subject, Date pertaining to Works at **Sl.No. 04** vide reference tender i.e. Improvements of Roads & Drains in Sarkari Honi and Surrounding Areas in Hosahalli in Ward No.124 - Estimated Amount: **Rs. 75.00 Lakhs** and **Sl.No. 06** i.e Improvements of Roads & Drains in Pipeline Road Church and Surrounding Areas in Hosahalli in Ward No.124 - Estimated Amount: **Rs. 51.00 Lakhs** are Postponed due to technical reasons and dates will be informed later. Other conditions of tender remains the same.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Vijayanagar Division, BBMP.

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ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು,
ಸಣ್ಣ ನೀರಾವರಿ ಮತ್ತು ಅಂತರ್ಜಲ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ವಿಭಾಗ,
ಕಂಟೋನ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಬಳ್ಳಾರಿ. ದೂರವಾಣಿ: 08392–242293

ಸಂ: ಕಾನಿಇಂ/ಸನೀ&ಅಂ.ಅ.ವಿ/ಬ/ಸ.ಇಂ/2022–23/2287 ದಿ:01.12.2022

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ
(ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಕೆ.ಡಬ್ಲೂ– 3 & 4 ಮುಖಾಂತರ)

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಮಾನ್ಯ ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಬಳ್ಳಾರಿ ಹಾಗೂ ವಿಜಯನಗರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ ಸಂಡೂರು ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ಲೆಕ್ಕಶೀರ್ಷಿಕೆ 4702 ಪ್ರಧಾನ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಕೆರೆಗಳ ಆಧುನೀಕರಣಯಡಿ ಒಟ್ಟು 04 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಕೂಡ್ಲಿಗಿ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ವಿಶೇಷ ಘಟಕ ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿ 01 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ ದ್ವಿಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಟೆಂಡರಿಗಿಟ್ಟ **ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.169.11 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳು ಹಾಗೂ ಕನಿಷ್ಠ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.84.21 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಿರುತ್ತದೆ.** ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ್ನು **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 02.12.2022** ರಿಂದ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 09.12.2022 ಸಂಜೆ 5.30** ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬಹುದು. ಟೆಂಡರಿನ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 13.12.2022** ರಂದು **ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ** ತೆರೆಯಲಾಗುವುದು. ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 19.12.2022** ರಂದು **ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ** ತೆರೆಯಲಾಗುವುದು. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಳನ್ನು "ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್" ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ http://eproc.karntaka.gov.in/e-portal/index.seam ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

ಸಹಿ/–ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು,
ಸಣ್ಣ ನೀರಾವರಿ ಮತ್ತು ಅಂತರ್ಜಲ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬಳ್ಳಾರಿ.

ಡಿಐಪಿಆರ್/ಬಳ್ಳಾರಿ/683/ಎಂಸಿಎ/2022–23

:ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ ಪಟ್ಟಣ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ:
Office of the Executive Engineer, Bagalkote Town Development Authority, Division No:01, Bagalkote-587102.
ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 08354–295372 E-mail: btdadn1@gmail.com

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಕಾನಿಇಂ/ಬಾ.ಪ.ಅ.ಪ್ರಾ/ವಿ–1/ಪಿಬಿ–01/ಟೆ.ಪ್ರ.ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ–07/2022–23/3249 ದಿನಾಂಕ:01–12–2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through e-Procurement only)

Tenders are invited by the under signed from registered eligible contractors for work Indent No: 1321, 1337, 1320, 1319, 1288, 1289, 1292, 1297, 1291, 1293, 1290, 1333, 1327, 1277, 1283, 1284, 1282, 1278, 1279, 1285, and 1281, Costing of Rs. 211.60 Lakhs to Rs. 30.00 Lakhs. The intending bidders for work details may login to e-procurement website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in for detailed notification and submission of the tender. The tenders can be submitted till 20.12.2022 up to 05.00 PM. Technical bids will be opened on 21.12.2022 at 05.00 PM (if possible) and Financial bids will be opened on 23.12.2022 at 05.00 PM (if possible). Any other details can be obtained from this office in person or over telephone number 08354-295372.

Sd/-Executive Engineer, BTDA, Division. No: 01,Bagalkote.

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INBRIEF

Canara Bank gets 'Banker's Bank of the year' award

Canara Bank on Friday announced that it received the "Banker's Bank of the Year Award 2022" for the India segment at the Global Banking Summit. MD and CEO L.V. Prabhakar received the award on Thursday in London. The winners are judged on their ability to deliver returns, strategy, innovation, technology and product and services in their respective geographies in the last 12 months, a release said.

Signing of P. Sainath's book

Blossom Book House and Penguin will organise book reading and signing of P. Sainath's latest book *The Last Heroes - Foot Soldiers of Indian freedom,* on Sunday. The programme will be held at Blossom Book House, #2, above Matteo Coffee, Church Street, from 3 p.m. onwards.

From Page One

Taxi, bike aggregators told to appoint nodal officer to redress plaints

The Police Commissioner also said that the companies should mandatorily have details of their employees and get minimum two KYC documents from the employees for documentation along with copies of the documents of their vehicle.

Mr. Reddy reiterated that the company should have some technology to gather feedback from customers about the service, time taken and any other remarks. This will no only instil a sense of commitment to the employee, but also ensure safety of passengers to a large extent, he said.

Mr. Reddy also said that the company should display emergency number 112 and display stickers on their app to create awareness . Delivery firms have been advised to ensure foolproof safety and that they are not delivering banned or contraband items. Delivery executives should be given training on etiquette while dealing with members of the general public and customers, and ensure adherence to traffic rules. The companies should ensure that the uniform and ID card of their employees are not misused.

Police assured companies that delivery staff will be helped by the police if they are under attack or are victims of robbery or mugging.

Pvt. hospitals upset over rates fixed for procedures under Yeshasvini scheme

Cooperation Department Secretary S.R. Umashankar said rates for Yeshasvini will be the same as those fixed for Ayushman Bharat Arogya Karnataka

Afshan Yasmeen
BENGALURU

The modified Yeshasvini health scheme is all set to become operational from January 1. FILE PHOTO

With the modified Yeshasvini health scheme all set to become operational from January 1, private hospitals are upset about the non-revision of rates fixed for various procedures under the scheme.

Taking objection against the non-revision of rates, the State unit of the Indian Medical Association (IMA) and Private Hospitals and Nursing Homes Association (PHANA) said this would deter many hospitals from getting empanelled for the scheme.

Private hospitals say that, in fact, new rates for some procedures are even lower than those that were fixed for reimbursement under the old Yeshasvini scheme.

The State unit of Indian Medical Association (IMA) has pointed out the scheme offers ₹9,000 for caesarean delivery, whereas the procedure costs no less than ₹35,000-₹65,000 at private hospitals.

The cost fixed for this procedure under the old Yeshasvini scheme was ₹14,000.

Similarly, for Cholecystectomy (surgical removal of gallbladder) the package rate has been reduced from ₹18,000 to ₹10,000. "This procedure costs no less than ₹30,000 even in a rural hospital. It is unfortunate that the government has not even considered the inflation rates and other additional price rises in the last four-five years," IMA State unit president Shivakumar B. Lakkol said.

He said a delegation would soon meet Cooperation Minister S.T. Somashekar and submit a memorandum seeking revision.

Done in haste

IMA State unit PRO Pavakumar Patil said relaunch of this scheme has been done in a haste.

While 70% of the beneficiaries are from rural background and rely on tier-3 cities and hospitals at the taluk level, the government has failed in taking into confidence the service providers of this scheme. "The trustees of this scheme are only from metros who have no idea of the difficulties of peripheral hospitals," he said.

"As of now, there is no approved Third Party Administrator (TPA) to manage this scheme and all hospitals have been sent a notice to start sending the pre-authorisations and claims directly to the trust office," Dr. Patil said.

PHANA president H.M. Prasanna said if the government wants more participation from the private sector, they should revise the rates. "We have been demanding that the government set up a committee involving private doctors to do a costing study. Re-introducing the scheme just ahead of elections seems to be a gimmick," he said.

Ayushman Bharat rates

However, S.R. Umashankar, Principal Secretary, Cooperation Department, categorically said that the same rates that have been fixed for various procedures under Ayushman Bharat Arogya Karnataka (AB-ArK) are being followed for the modified Yeshasvini scheme.

"The rate revision can happen only when AB-ArK rates are revised. Although the modified Yeshasvini will run independently, it will adopt the same norms that are currently being followed under AB-ArK," he said, adding that not all rates have been slashed and comparison should be done with AB-ArK and not the old Yeshasvini scheme.

As against the 823 surgical procedures under the old Yeshasvini scheme, the modified scheme will cover all the 1,650 surgical procedures that are under AB-ArK, he said.

Bommai announces relief of ₹15 lakh for death in leopard attack

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai said ₹15 lakh compensation would be handed over to families of those killed in leopard attacks.

A woman was killed in a leopard attack in Mysuru district on December 1.

Talking to reporters in Bengaluru on Saturday, he said the compensation would be on par with those who die in elephant attacks. Up to now, the attacks were reported in and around forests, but now they are taking place in Bengaluru. "The Forest Department has taken this very seriously. Efforts are being made in the last one week to capture the animal. Instructions have been given to capture the animal, and release it in the forest," Mr. Bommai said.

Special team to capture leopards

Mr. Bommai said there are a number of leopards around the elephant corridor in Bengaluru and Mysuru range. A special team has been constituted to prevent leopard attacks and to take certain specific actions. An operation would be launched by the special team to nab leopards that come outside forests.

No fresh spotting of leopards: Forest Dept.

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

At Chikkajala, two cages have been kept to catch the leopard.

Officials of the Forest Department have said that there has been no fresh spotting of leopards reported on the outskirts of the city in the last two to three days. Leopards that were spotted at ITC Factory in Chikkajala and areas around Turahalli remain elusive.

Meanwhile, the department has advised people living in the areas to be cautious and not wander out unnecessarily.

Deputy Conservator of Forests of Bengaluru Urban division Ravishankar S.S. said: "As on Saturday, there is no fresh spotting of leopards on the outskirts of the city. The leopard that was found near the Turahalli minor forest area might have shifted to another area. There is a possibility of the animal moving towards Bannerghatta side. Leopards are shy animals; it does not stay long in human settlement areas. Our verification inside the Turahalli forest area found no direct spotting of the wild animal or indirect traces."

About reports of leopard movement in Kaggalipura area, the official said that it had happened more than eight days ago and is not a fresh development.

The official added that at Chikkajala, two cages have been kept to catch the leopard that was spotted on camera inside ITC factory area.

Timings
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SUNDAY, DEC. 04	
RISE 06:27	SET 17:52
RISE 15:08	SET 03:00
MONDAY, DEC. 05	
RISE 06:28	SET 17:52
RISE 15:48	SET 03:51
TUESDAY, DEC. 06	
RISE 06:28	SET 17:53
RISE 16:29	SET 04:42

Bengaluru Weather	max	min
Tumakuru	32	22
Mysuru	30	20
Bengaluru	29	20

Bengaluru Today
28°C The weather will be mostly dry. Morning will be slight cool with mist and haze. Day will be comfortable. Night will be slight cool.

Bengaluru Tomorrow
27°C A dry weather to prevail. Day will be comfortable and humid. Night remains cool.

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With eight gold medals, BU PG topper aims to become professor or KAS officer

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Gold medallist Keerti Neginhal

57th convocation of Bangalore University to be held tomorrow

The coming week is doubly special for Keerthi Neginhal, a student of Government First Grade College, Vijayanagara, Bengaluru. While on the one hand, she has successfully won eight gold medals and one cash prize in M.A. Kannada literature, she is also set to give birth to her first child.

Ms. Naginhal, wife of a techie and originally from Munavalli village, Savadatti taluk of Belagavi district, intends to become a Karnataka Administrative Service (KAS) officer or a Kannada professor.

Speaking to *The Hindu*, she said: "My father and mother are professors at KLE College, Belagavi. I completed my undergraduate course in Lingaraj College at Belagavi with 90% marks. Then, I married a software engineer and migrated to Bengaluru. My family gives a lot of importance to higher education. With the support of my husband, I joined the PG course in Government First Grade College."

"During the COVID lockdown, I was totally dependent on online classes. Due to the pregnancy, I was not able to attend classes in the 3rd and 4th semesters. With the help of my friends and teachers, I studied hard. Since childhood, I was interested in Kannada literature. My perspective is that literature leads our life," she said.

"After my maternity leave, I will enrol for Ph.D in Kannada Literature," Ms. Neginhal said.

Achievers

Students to be awarded degree certificate

Courses		Total
UG, PG, and Autonomous	PhD	
34,070	267	34,337

Course	Gold medals	Cash prize
UG	108	49
PG	192	24
Total	300	73

No. of students to get gold medals and cash prize

Course	Gold medals	Cash prize
UG	55	26
PG	102	24
Total	157	50

Actor Dwarakish among 3 to be conferred with honorary doctorate

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Veteran actor, director, and producer Dwarakish will be among three distinguished personalities to be conferred with honorary doctorate during the 57th convocation of Bangalore University on Monday at Jnanajyothi auditorium.

Amarnath Gowda, Attorney and Counsellor at Law, and founder president of The Law Offices of Amarnath Gowda in Farmington Hills, Michigan, U.S., and T. Anil Kumar, renowned artist, painter, photographer, social worker, and philanthropist will be awarded with honorary doctorate degrees.

Addressing the media, Jayakara S.M., Vice-Chancellor of Bangalore University, said: "Bangalore University is always on the forefront of adopting novel technologies and implementing new methods in education. Keeping the tradition alive, for the first time in the history of the university, all 34,337 students who have applied for convocation can download their degree certificates immediately after the convocation from the Digi Locker and National Academic Depository."

Governor and Chancellor of the University Thawarchand Gehlot will preside over the ceremony. C.N. Ashwath Narayan, Minister, will be present, and M. Jagadesh Kumar, chairman of UGC, will be the chief guest and deliver the convocation address.

School of Engineering to open

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

After losing its only constituent engineering college UVCE, Bangalore University has decided to open a School of Engineering on the Jnana Bharathi campus. Speaking to the media, Jayakara S.M., V-C, said: "The decision was taken in the recent Syndicate meeting."

Bangalore University gold medallists

RAM KUMAR P.C.

Ram Kumar P.C., student of Soundarya Institute of Management and Science, Bengaluru, has got six gold medals and six cash prizes in B.Sc. "I wanted to pursue MBBS, but due to financial problems, I could not make it. My interest for science made me take up B.Sc and I want to thank my mother and teachers who supported me."

ARCHANA K.

Archana K., daughter of a farmer from Banahalli village, Malur taluk, Kolar district and a student of Bangalore University's chemistry department, has emerged as the second topper with seven gold medals and two cash prizes.

Born into an agricultural family, Ms. Archana completed her graduation in Government Women's College, Kolar.

"I studied in Kannada medium till class X. Since childhood, I was very curious about scientific factors and I secured good marks in physics, chemistry, and mathematics in B.Sc course. Then, I decided to move into a scientific career and studied chemistry in M.Sc. I worked as a research assistant in Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Sciences. I plan to pursue Ph.D in chemistry and want to become a scientist," she said.

(With inputs from Bharath Gowda)

SPOORTHI R.

Spoorthi R., student of Jnanavikas Institute of Management and Commerce, has got six gold medals and two cash prizes. She expressed her happiness: "My interest for accounts and taxation landed me in commerce. I have achieve this with the support of my parents and teachers. I am currently pursuing M.Com. I want to pursue Ph.D and be a professor," she said.

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Calender Of Events:(1) The Contractor can download the Tender document from: **02.12.2022**. (2) Last Date for Submission of tenders: **17.12.2022 Up to 04.00 PM**. (3) Opening of Technical Bid for the Tenders: **19.12.2022 After 11.00 AM.** (4) Opening of Financial Bid of the Tender: **22.12.2022 After 11.00 AM.** The blank tender documents can be viewed or downloaded from E-proc portal, Details of work/eligibility of contractor/Tender processing fees/dates of events etc. can be had from website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in. Further information can be had from the undersigned during office hours. Right of acceptance of tender is reserved. **E-proc portal helpdesk: 080-22371090/22373788**
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Proposals from Boys of Comparable Profile for Palghat Nair Divorcee Girl born Oct 1983 Makayiram, 152cm fair athletic, SWE with a multinational at Bangalore. Contact: 9446022706, Email: nairjk54@gmail.com

DOCTOR

✔ **SUNNI MUSLIM** parents seek Allopathic Doctor for daughter 30 yrs Slim, Fair MBBS,M.S., Mob: 8056198771

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AGE 25 years, 5ft 9 inch Good Looking Pursuing M.S (Surgery), Parents Seeks Chennai based teetotaler and humble Doctors / Professors. Parents Contact: anandchammu@yahoo.co.in with Photograph and details.

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SEEKS DOCTOR GROOM

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WANTED GROOM Re_marriage: Keralite parents invite proposals for their daughter Asst. Prof. Dermatologist: 33Yrs,165 cm fair, from Doctors or Professionally Settled boys below 38 years. Ph: 9447144391

PARENTS OF Vellala Pillai Girl, Trivandrum, M.Tech., 33/175, Utradam, employed as Major in Indian Army. Invites proposal from Officer rank of Army / Airforce / Navy / Banking. Hindu's any. Ph: 9497003119

NRI

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TAMIL

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TAMIL

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MUDALIAR (CNB): 25/ V.Fair, B.E, MBA, Going to Higher Studies in Canada, Elite Family ,Only daughter – Seeks Groom Only Canada – 9841060236, 8925019776

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SC AD Hindu, BE MBA, SBI Manager, 34yrs, Mesham–Bharani, seeking suitable & qualified Groom. Ph–9962806142

HINDU SAIVA Pillai Bride, 1987 Born, Magham, Veg, Beautiful, U.S. Educated, Senior Economist seeks Groom aged 36-39yrs, Smart, Veg, Highly Qualified, settled Professional preferebly based in Mumbai. Contact: 99940 22477.

84 BORN, 162 slim, pretty MBA well placed seeks suitable boy with decent job and salary from good family. CNB. Ct: 7305010105

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AGAMUDI MUDALIAR 91/165 Mirugasirisam Raghu in Lagnam, PG Working HR MNC Seeks MS/M.Tech Groom 9176780777

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TAMIL

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35 B.COM MBA Pillai Anusham Raghu in lagnam Divorcee seeks suitable groom 9094020665

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SC ADIDRAVIDA,37YRS/163CMS, Dhanus/ pooradam,B.E/MBA,Bank Manager PSU, seeks unmarried employed groom. Email:wedlocknew@gmail.com

HINDU MUTHURAJA 29/164cm, B.E, IT. Seeks employed Engineering Groom. Other BC communities accepted. Contact : 98433 42955

MUDALIAR SLIM 26 Yrs/172 Cms, Virchigam MD 2nd Year (Homeo) seeks suitable groom. Ct: 9778182019 / 8921394460.

SC AD 25/B.Arch.,M.Plan, Govt.Job (CMDA –Grade I)66,000p.m. Govt. or Pvt. Seeks Bridegrooms.Ph. 7397674481

24Chettiar 28/167 BE girl Group1 Officer DSP,seeks groom from Officer Rank/Business Family 9443232363

MUDALIAR (CNB) : 24/ 160, B.E, MS (USA) Amazon, SWE, USA, 700000 PM, Elite Family – Seeks Groom Abroad / India – 8939012419

INTER CASTE Parents seek for daughter 27/156 SWE employed Chennai, from suitable Hindu groom. 90032 87101

SAIVA PILLAI 27/165 BE Civil Wheatish Maharam seeks employed groom. Contact: 6380810427

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TAMIL

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COSMOPOLITAN

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ENGLISH

IYER, KOUSIGAM, Mirugaseerdam, Divorcee, 40 Years, BE, TCS Chennai, 30 LPA seeks First Marriage/Divorcee Suitable Girl Ct: 9894291541/6381253487

HINDI

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TAMIL

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TAMIL MUSLIM, Rowther. 30/5'5" 10th Own House & Business in Chennai. Looking for bride with good Family background Ct:9840599093, 9952056702

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AGAMUDAYAR, 40, 173 cms, Operations Supervisor, BE. Lives in Kuwait. Father is an affluent Businessman with a good net worth. Looking for a suitable match. Contact: 6366448344

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TAMIL

AGAMUDAIYAR 38 MBA MSc IT Consultant seeks Bride from OBC shunmugavalli@gmail.com Mob – 9444865135

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URDU

✔ **SUNNI MUSLIM,** M.Arch, 27y, Fair&Slim, 161 cm, working as an Architect in Australia seek alliance from Arch./Engg. boy settled in Australia. WhatsApp: +974 66255871

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TAMIL

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INBRIEF

Congress launches campaign on 'rowdies' in BJP

The Karnataka Congress has alleged that the BJP in the State has become "a den of rowdy-sheeters and anti-social elements" and that new rowdies have been joining the party daily. Mocking the party, the Congress released a "leaked list" of candidates with photos calling it "BJP rowdy morcha". A political slugfest has been raging over the inclusion of history-sheeters in parties ever since 'Silent' Sunil was seen with three Bengaluru MPs recently at an event and there were rumours about him and others joining the BJP.

Sugarcane growers' agitation crosses 12 days

The ongoing agitation by farmers at Freedom Park in Bengaluru, seeking higher Fair and Remunerative Price (FRP) for sugarcane, has crossed 12 days.

Karnataka State Sugarcane Growers' Association president Kurubur Shanthakumar alleged that the government had gone back on its promise on holding consultations on the issue and was using police power to curb their protest.

Earlier, Mr. Shanthakumar had said there were over 3 million sugarcane cultivators in the State but the government professing to be "pro-farmers" was apathetic to their grievances.

State BJP unit readying itself for an overhaul after Gujarat poll results

Change of State president is on the cards; three names are doing the rounds for the post, but party insiders say a surprise choice from the high command cannot be ruled out

K.V. Aditya Bharadwaj
BENGALURU

The State unit of the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) is expecting the focus of the party high command to shift to Karnataka after December 8, when results of the Gujarat and Himachal Pradesh Assembly elections will be announced. The State unit is expected to be overhauled, starting with the party president.

BJP State unit president Nalin Kumar Kateel's three-year term ended in August 2022, and since then, talk of a change has been persistent.

Need for aggression

"Mr. Kateel was a good choice when a mass leader like B.S. Yediyurappa was the Chief Minister and elections were not in sight. But now, we need someone aggressive as the party chief to lead us in the elections.

Nalin Kumar Kateel

Recently, at a Janaspandana rally, Mr. Kateel compared Mr. Yediyurappa and Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai to Krishna and Arjuna when it came to leading the party in the elections, completely discounting his own role as the party chief," said a senior party leader, adding that Mr. Kateel has some health issues.

A Minister conceded that the State unit and the government lack the aggressiveness to fight elections, and everyone seems to be hoping that Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah will bring out that fighting spirit. "The party unit here needs a good leader who puts the house in order first. Most of the issues that have hit the party's image recently have emanated from within, which the Opposition is effectively capitalising on," he said.

Generational shift

With Mr. Yediyurappa taking a backseat, the party is now looking at a generational shift in leadership. The next party chief in the State will be someone the high command is keen to groom as one of the next leaders for Karnataka, a senior party functionary said.

The names doing the rounds are Chikkamagaluru MLA and national general secretary of the party C.T. Ravi, Union Minister of State for Agriculture Shobha Karandlaje, both Vokkaligas, and Energy and Kannada and Culture Minister V. Sunil Kumar. All three are known for a hardline Hindutva stance.

Given the functioning style of the current central leadership, the State unit is not ruling out someone apart from these three.

Vijayendra's role

The new president is likely to get a new team of general secretaries, who will be made in charge of key regions and districts during the polls, for which lobbying has already begun.

B.Y. Vijayendra, who has been seeking a bigger role in the party for at least three years now, will likely be made a general secretary and he will likely contest from Shikaripur seat, currently held by Mr. Yediyurappa, according to sources close to him.

Adhere to norms in allotting fair price shops: HC

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Noticing that the court is being flooded with litigation about indiscriminate allotment of fair price shops and discrimination in the assignment of ration cards to these shops, the High Court of Karnataka has directed the Commissioner for Food and Civil Supplies to ensure that norms are strictly adhered to in these processes.

The commissioner's 2020 circular, which had directed the officials to consider allotment of new fair price shops only after verification of documents without giving scope to any allegation or complaint, has remained only on paper, the court said.

Writ petitions

Pointing out that in every allotment of fair price shop there would be a complaint and writ petitions are filed, the court directed the government to ensure that provisions of the Karnataka Essential Commodities Public Distribution System (Control) Order, 2016, are strictly adhered to.

Justice M. Nagaprasanna made these observations while disposing of a petition filed by Manjunath B. of Bengaluru questioning the cancellation of licence granted to him to operate a fair price shop.

"The authorities while allotting the cards should by and large seek to maintain the terms in Clause 11 of the order which directs that there should be 800 cards to a fair price shop in the urban area and 500 cards in the rural area. The writ courts cannot be expected to join the race of rival claimants of taking away of cards or giving of cards," the court observed.

As the government advocate pointed out that the policy today is 'one nation, one ration card', and any ration card holder can pick up his ration from any fair price depot and there is no need to depend on the allotted shop, the court said that if that is the policy then it is for the State to take the policy forward and redress all these problems of assigning ration cards at the whims and fancy of the deputy directors and other officials.

India cannot remain neutral to injustice and oppression: Rajnath

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Saturday said that India is a peace-loving country and does not favour war and violence. But at the same time, it cannot remain neutral to injustice and oppression, he said.

Speaking at the Gita Dana Yajna organised by the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON) at its Rajadhiraja Govinda temple at Vasantapura in Bengaluru, Mr. Singh said, "War and violence were never our nature. India neither attacked any country nor it occupied even an inch of any other country's land. That is our country's character and the world should know this."

Stating that India is the storehouse of spiritual knowledge, the Minister added that the Bhagavad Gita had influenced philosophers and intellectuals all over the world.

"The Pandavas, the central character of the Hindu epic the Mahabharata were ready to settle for five villages after spending years in exile but the Kauravas were not ready to part with land measuring the cusp of a needle. This denial led to the battle, which ended by establishing the victory of virtues. That is why I often say that India never troubles others but if someone troubles us, India will not spare them. This is the message of the Bhagavad Gita," he said.

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh presenting a copy of the Bhagavad Gita to actor Sapthami Gowda during the inauguration of the Gita Dana Yajna Mahotsava at ISKCON's Rajadhiraja Govinda temple in Bengaluru on Saturday. Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai was also present. PTI

ISKCON Bengaluru has decided to donate one lakh copies of the Bhagavad Gita throughout this month, apart from organising cultural and religious events.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, former Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa, ISRO chairman S. Somanath, and ISKCON Bengaluru president Madhu Pandit Dasa were among those who were present.

Karnataka can play key role in coal and mines sector: Joshi

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Karnataka, which has the richest repository of several minerals, can play a key role in the coal and mines sector, said Union Minister Pralhad Joshi here on Saturday.

"At present, the coal and mines sector in the country contributes 0.9% to the Gross Domestic Product. This is targeted to raise to 2.5% in the coming years and the State has great potential to significantly contribute to it," the Minister said.

Participating in an investor conclave on Commercial Coal Mines Auction in Bengaluru, the Minister said although India had the largest reserve of coal and was the largest producer and importer, the country needed to step up coal production to meet its growing requirement for energy security.

Outlining the progressive hike in domestic coal production, Mr. Joshi said the country was poised to produce 900 million tonnes (MT) of coal this year while the production next year would touch 1,000 million tonnes.

The Coal Ministry has launched the process for the auction of 141 mines across several States. These mines have been finalised post detailed deliberations, said a statement.

₹21.45 lakh donated for Punyakoti scheme

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A sum of ₹21.45 lakh has been donated by 2,665 people for implementing the Punyakoti cow adoption scheme, said Animal Husbandry Minister Prabhu Chavan on Saturday.

Under the Punyakoti scheme, there are over one lakh cows in various goshalas for adoption. Priyank Kharge, Congress MLA, had levelled baseless charges against the government scheme, the Minister said, and claimed that many people had benefited from the scheme. Mr. Kharge on Wednesday alleged that the ban on cow slaughter caused job loss and adversely hit the leather industry.

Health Department orders probe into death of five-year-old

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Following the death of a five-year-old boy who had fallen into a sump at Kodigenahalli in Madhugiri taluk of Tumakuru district, the incident which was taken up by the Janata Dal (Secular) as a case of "medical negligence", Health and Medical Education Minister K. Sudhakar has ordered a departmental inquiry into the case.

On Friday, in a series of tweets, JD(S) leader H.D. Kumaraswamy alleged that the boy had been rushed to the local primary health centre (PHC) by the ambulance that was part of the yatra's convoy, but the doctor on duty was missing. He demanded action against the doctor who was absent and held the Health Department's negligent attitude as the reason for the boy's death.

However, the Tumakuru Distirict Health Officer (DHO) had said the boy was brought dead to the hospital.

Dr. Sudhakar said in a tweet on Saturday, "Strict action will be taken if the doctors are found to be negligent. The ambulance driver who is found guilty of delayed response has been dismissed from service."

"While the nursing officer and a group D employee were present in the PHC when the boy was brought, it is learnt that a doctor who was on OPD duty till 4.30 p.m., had later left for a visit to the Maidanahalli area. The doctor, who immediately rushed back to the centre after he was made aware of the emergency, has reported that the boy was brought dead to the hospital," the Minister said.

"Since the Kodigenahalli PHC has 24/7 service facilities with two doctors put on rotation, a doctor should have been present at the PHC," Dr. Sudhakar added.

Agitation by 80 expelled casual workers of ITI completes a year

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The strike started by 80 casual workers of ITI Ltd. who had been expelled from service has completed a year now, without yielding any results.

According to Maitreyi, a member of the All India Central Council of Trade Unions, ITI expelled these workers because they tried to form a union to voice their grievances against the company's alleged abuse, including not paying them in time.

The workers were thrown out for coming together and forming a union to fight their cause, alleged Hemanth, president of the newly formed workers' union.

A file photo of expelled ITI employees and members of a fact-finding team at the protest site in Bengaluru.

ITI also filed a lawsuit in the High Court of Karnataka alleging that these expelled workers were creating a ruckus near the company premises and the court directed both parties to a mediation. When the mediation failed, the workers also moved the High Court against the PSU, demanding rehiring and clearance of their salary dues.

In March 2022, there was a settlement made between the management and the union, but the company is yet to adhere to it, alleged the workers. Also, the Ministry of Communication instructed ITI to take the employees back, but that also has not been implemented yet, according to the union.

The workers said they had filed a case against the company in the labour court.

ITI refused to respond to a query from *The Hindu* on the issue.

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Plan to conserve centuries-old vessel in Kerala goes awry

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After travelling a few hundred metres on the Thaickal-Kadakkarappally road in Kerala's Alappuzha, a narrow pathway cutting through private properties leads to a fenced one-acre plot of marshy land, overgrown with wild plants. Somewhere under the black trench water here lies an uncared-for 1,000-year-old vessel.

Two decades have passed since the shipwreck site at Manjadikkal ward of Kadakkarappally grama panchayat was excavated and the remnants of south India's first reported ancient hull were unearthed. However, the State archaeology department's plan to preserve the craft has not borne fruit.

"After the excavation and some other works, nothing has happened at the site for years. We do not know whether the ship still remains intact or not," says Njanashihamani, who resides near the shipwreck site. The presence of a security guard, however, signals the importance of the place.

Remaining stuck: A file photo of the excavation taking place at the shipwreck site at Kadakkarappally grama panchayat in Alappuzha.

Spotted in the 1990s

The boat, on the then-private land about two kilometres away from the Thaickal beach, was first spotted by labourers in the 1990s. The excavation work got under way in 2002. Archaeologists, geo-archaeologists and experts in the field, including those from abroad, thronged the site in the initial days and weeks to study it. A few years later, the government purchased the land and declared it a protected site.

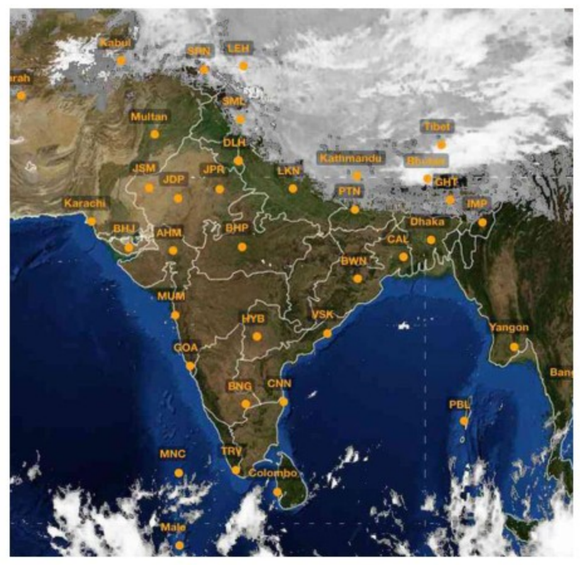
Radiocarbon dating done in India revealed that the wood used in the vessel was cut down somewhere between 920 AD and 1160 AD. Another carbon dating exercise done in the United States indicated a date of 1020 AD to 1270 AD. Based on these, experts put the likely date of the craft's construction between 1020 AD and 1160 AD. Though some experts believe the boat is of south Indian origin, there is no consensus on the matter yet.

Archaeology department director E. Dinesan says that no decision has been taken on what to do next at the shipwreck site. "Though the land is in our possession, the private party from whom the government bought it has filed a case seeking more compensation. The court has referred the matter to the District Collector. To my knowledge, no final decision has been taken," he says.

"Besides the land issue, the conservation of the boat faces several challenges. We are consulting experts on how to protect it. As the remnants remain in salty water, it is unlikely that the wood would remain intact if taken out," he says, adding that a second excavation and cleaning of the site are needed.

WEATHERWATCH

Rainfall, temperature & air quality in select metros yesterday



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Forecast for Sunday: Dense fog likely in isolated pockets over Himachal Pradesh and Punjab. Heavy rainfall likely at isolated places over Nicobar Islands. Thunderstorm accompanied with lightning likely at isolated places over Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, Karaikal, Lakshadeep, Kerala and Mahe

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Ahmedabad	—	30.9	14.8	Kurnool	—	33.5	22.7
Aizawl	—	—	15.5	Lucknow	—	26.6	12.5
Allahabad	—	27.6	11.3	Madurai	—	31.7	23.5
Bengaluru	—	29.0	19.4	Mangaluru	—	33.1	24.0
Bhopal	—	27.9	12.5	Mumbai	—	32.7	22.8
Bhubaneswar	—	29.8	18.1	Mysuru	—	30.2	20.0
Chandigarh	—	25.4	11.6	New Delhi	—	25.8	8.9
Chennai	—	31.3	25.1	Patna	—	—	11.6
Coimbatore	—	31.2	23.0	Port Blair	—	31.6	26.5
Dehradun	—	25.3	11.2	Puducherry	—	30.4	23.2
Gangtok	—	17.1	8.8	Pune	—	30.8	17.1
Goa	—	33.8	24.0	Raipur	—	30.5	13.5
Guwahati	—	29.6	15.8	Ranchi	—	26.8	12.2
Hubballi	—	30.0	20.0	Shillong	—	22.3	10.5
Hyderabad	—	30.2	21.6	Shimla	—	18.6	7.5
Imphal	—	28.0	13.6	Srinagar	—	11.5	-1.9
Jaipur	—	25.2	10.2	Thiruvananthapuram	14	30.8	23.5
Kochi	—	30.8	25.4	Tiruchi	3	31.7	24.0
Kohima	—	8.0	21.2	Vijayawada	—	30.8	24.0
Kolkata	—	28.2	16.2	Visakhapatnam	—	30.2	24.6

(Rainfall data in mm; temperature in Celsius)

Pollutants in the air you are breathing

CITIES	SO_2	NO_2	CO	PM2.5	PM10	CODE
Ahmedabad	.23	..99	47	 65	93	
Bengaluru	...8	..43	24	... 166	.....—	
Chennai	.16	..39	45	 67	62	
Delhi	.32	117	22	... 431	.. 401	
Hyderabad	...5	..26	39	... 167	.....—	
Kolkata	.22	..14	65	... 333	...197	
Lucknow	.10	..78	73	... 262	...217	
Mumbai	.34	..29	57	... 324	...219	
Pune	..—	..88	87	..... —	.....—	
Visakhapatnam	.36	..34	56	... 170	...127	

Yesterday

In observation made at 4.00 p.m., Bettiah, Bihar recorded an overall air quality index (AQI) score of 427 indicating an unhealthy level of pollution. In contrast, Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh recorded a healthy AQI score of 21

Air Quality Code: Poor Moderate Good (Readings indicate average AQI)

SO_2: Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. It can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important objects such as statues and monuments.

NO_2: Nitrogen Dioxide. Aggravates respiratory illness, causes haze to form by reacting with other air particles, causes acid rain, pollutes coastal waters.

CO: Carbon monoxide. High concentration in air reduces oxygen supply to critical organs like the heart and brain. At very high levels, it can cause dizziness, confusion, unconsciousness and even death.

PM2.5 & PM10: Particulate matter pollution can cause irritation of the eyes, nose and throat, coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath, reduced lung function, irregular heartbeat, asthma attacks, heart attacks and premature death in people with heart or lung disease

Efforts launched to broker peace in Vizhinjam port area

Head of the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church holds discussions with Kerala Chief Minister; Latin Archdiocese asks the State government to tackle the volatile situation and guarantee peace

The Hindu Bureau
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

As the stand-off on the Vizhinjam port in Kerala threatens to drag on, efforts were launched on Saturday to broker peace between the protesters and the State government. Cardinal Baselios Cleemis, head of the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church, held discussions with Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan on Saturday.

The meeting came a few hours after Cardinal Cleemis, the Archbishop of Thiruvananthapuram (Latin rites) Thomas J. Netto, and the general convener of the Latin Archdiocese-led action council Fr. Eugene Pereira met Chief Secretary V.P. Joy. Cardinal Cleemis took the initiative for the talks, sources said.

Burning issue: A file photo of people burning a fishing boat at Vizhinjam while protesting against the port project.

Transport Minister Antony Raju said it was the Adani Group that had sought deployment of Central forces in Vizhinjam.

On Friday, the State government had informed the High Court that it was open to the deployment of Central forces on the port premises.

The Latin Archdiocese of Thiruvananthapuram, in a circular expected to be read out in churches on Sunday, urged the Stateto tackle the volatile situation and guarantee peace.

TRS MLC Kavitha writes to CBI, seeks copies of plaint, FIR

The Hindu Bureau
HYDERABAD

The CBI served her notice on Friday in connection with the Delhi liquor scam

Telangana Rashtra Samiti MLC and Chief Minister K. Chandrasekhar Rao's daughter Kavitha on Saturday addressed a letter to the Central Bureau of Investigation to furnish copies of the complaint lodged against her by the Ministry of Home Affairs and the consequent First Information Report issued by the agency as part of probe into her alleged role in the Delhi liquor scam.

It said the requested documents could be provided at the earliest to enable her to acquaint herself with the contents and give appropriate answer within a reasonable period of time.

The date of the meeting of CBI officials with her at Hyderabad could be fixed after the receipt of documents, she said.

The CBI had served her notice on Friday evening through an e-mail to examine her on December 6.

INBRIEF

Malayalam actor Kochu Preman passes away

Actor K.S. Premkumar, popularly known by his stage name Kochu Preman, passed away here on Saturday afternoon. He was 68. He breathed his last at a private hospital. The actor had reportedly been facing lung-related issues. Though known more for the predominantly comedy roles he played in over 200 movies over two decades, Kochu Preman initially proved his mettle in theatre. Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan and several actors condoled the actor's death.

Telangana police issue new summons to BDJS chief

The Telangana police have issued a fresh summons to Bharat Dharma Jana Sena president Thushar Vellappally, residing in Kerala, for questioning in connection with the TRS MLAs' 'poaching case'. He has been asked to appear before a Special Investigation Team probing the case in Hyderabad on December 6 or 7. It is the second time Mr. Vellappally was served summons for questioning in connection with the case. The BDJS president is accused of trying to buy MLAs of the ruling TRS by offering hefty sums at the behest of the BJP.

Wild elephant electrocuted

A wild elephant from Tamil Nadu forests was electrocuted after coming in contact with a low-level transformer at an agriculture field at Moghalivaripalle village of Bangarupalem mandal, 40 km from Chittoor, on Friday. District Forest Officer (Chittoor) C. Chaitanya Kumar Reddy said that the incident, which came to light on Saturday morning, took place when the elephant came into contact with the live cables of the transformer, leading to its instantaneous death. "Poor visibility following dense fog in and around the Koundinya wildlife sanctuary may have caused the incident," the official said.

Tattoo artist-turned-drug peddler who aspired to be 'Pablo Escobar' arrested

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A 22-year-old college tattoo artist-turned-drug peddler arrested by the Central Crime Branch (CCB) wanted to be like his role model Pablo Escobar, the Columbian drug lord, and operate like him in Bengaluru, officials said.

The narcotics wing on Saturday took Sigil Varghese Mamparampil into custody and recovered ₹25 lakh worth synthetic drugs his apartment in Chandapura. The drugs include 100 grams of MDMA crystals, 150 LSD strips, 25 ecstasy tablets, a diary containing information about the drug business, contact list, and a poster of Pablo Escobar.

Sigil, from Kottayam in Kerala, and his live-in partner Vishnupriya from Coimbatore in Tamil Nadu, are tattoo artists by profession. They were first arrested by Hulimavu police in March, who recovered 13 kg of hashish oil worth ₹7 crore. Two months later, the duo came out on bail and continued to peddle drugs before they were caught by CCB officials in Parappana Agarahara in November this year.

Upon questioning about the Pablo poster, Sigil confessed that Pablo was his role model and he was practising his style of peddling drugs.

Explaining his modus operandi, Sigil told the police that he followed "faceless Russian treasure hunt" method while delivering drugs, practiced by Pablo and gang. Sigil said that he would clinch the deal with his customers over phone and never meet them in person. After taking the order and getting the money online, he would place the drugs under a pole or a bark of the tree or in a dustbin, and send the video clip along with the location details to his customer.

The CCB are now probing the diary.

Awareness drive to dispel wrong info about validity of ₹10 coins

The Hindu Bureau
CHENNAI

Banks in various districts have pointed out that ₹10 coins are not being accepted by the general public for daily transactions due to rumours and misinformation, mostly spread through social media platforms, casting doubt upon the genuineness of these coins.

The State Level Bankers Committee (SLBC), Tamil Nadu, has proposed a drive to create awareness and encourage the public to use the coins in partnership with the State government. The SLBC said it had been receiving queries from the public on the legal tender status of these coins. A few merchant associations and chambers of commerce had also written, expressing their difficulty in transacting with the ₹10 coins, and bank branches were refusing to accept them, it pointed out.

T. Sadagopan, a consumer activist, said the issue was prevalent in rural and semi-urban areas. He called for creating awareness and also installing vending machines in places like malls and bus stands so that people can easily exchange notes and coins, which will help in increasing circulation.

It has proposed that the State government issue instructions to State-owned transport corporations to accept ₹10 coins from the public.

HC hears plea challenging TDB's take on Sabarimala temple post

The Hindu Bureau
KOCHI

The Kerala High Court was hearing the petitions filed by aspirants challenging a Travancore Devaswom Board notification that the 'melshanti' of Sabarimala and Malikappuram temples must be Malayali Brahmins, on Saturday. The court posted the next hearing on December 17.

The counsel for the petitioners pleaded before the Division Bench comprising Justice Anil K. Narendran and Justice P.G. Ajith that restricting the eligibility for appointment to Malayali Brahmins was in conflict with constitutional rights and the right to equality that Article 14 assured to each citizen. This must be read with Article 17 that criminalised untouchability, a belief that some people were born pure, while others were impure.

He wondered why non-Brahmins, who were experienced and qualified to become 'melshanti' were being denied appointment to the post.

The counsel for the devasom justified the restriction on eligibility for appointment to Malayali Brahmins, as a system that was being followed from time immemorial.

In the December 17 hearing, the court is expected to assess whether the notification stood the test of reasonableness under the Constitution, whether reserving the post for members of a particular community contravened its secular credentials and whether it violated the right to equality assured under Article 14.

55 natural food sources of the tribal population of Dandakaranya region on its way to oblivion: study

T. Appala Naidu
CHINTOOR

A tiny town of Konta in Chhattisgarh's Sukma district is 10 km away from Chintoor, a tribal heartland of Andhra Pradesh. In winter, a maximum of 21 traditional food varieties collected from the forests of Dandakaranya region and the surrounding forests are traded at Konta.

All of them are collected and brought to Konta by the tribal people inhabiting the 50-km radius on the borders of Odisha, Andhra Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. By November 2022, barely 30% of the tribal population living in the interior pockets within a 50 km radius from Chintoor in Alluri Sitarama Raju district are still preferring the 55 food sources, according to a study carried out by Chintoor-based NGO Jana Vikas Society.

Last vestiges: A tribal woman sells traditional food varieties collected from the forest at Konta weekly shandy in Chhattisgarh.

"Those inhabiting the interior parts of Dandakaranya forest blocks are still collecting, consuming, preserving and selling 55 traditional food sources which have been documented since last winter. The traditional food diversity of tribal people, whose lives came in contact with the modern lifestyles and habits, has been completely changed," JVS Secretary Venkatesh Jatvi said.

The Muria tribe living in Chhattisgarh and Andhra Pradesh depends on seven species of mushroom. The mushroom species that grow naturally in the bamboo plantations are dried and preserved by the Murias as they believe it contains high nutritional value.

Many tribal people who have adopted non-tribal food charts have arguably forgotten their traditional food preferences and preparational methods.

Food diversity

"The food diversity and preferences are unique for each tribe. The traditional food varieties and their preparations are different from the tribal people of Kodhs and Porja to Muria and Koyas. The internal displacement and migration have been recorded within this region, but all the tribes have their own food diversity that is now on its way to oblivion," rues Mr. Venkatesh.

The study of natural food sources is still in progress in the tribal heartland to identify and document the food sources that once fed the tribal people.

From Page One

Disenfranchised in their own land

Kupwara resident Abdul Majeed Bhat had crossed the Line of Control (LoC) into PoK in 1990 to join an armed militant group. However, he stayed on and met and married Ms. Sadaf in Muzaffarabad in 2002, with the couple having four children and raising a family together. The Bhat family returned to Kupwara in 2010 under a rehabilitation policy for ex-Kashmiri militants held up in PoK, introduced by the J&K government under then-Chief Minister Omar Abdullah.

After she moved to her husband's hometown of Batargam, Ms. Sadaf took up an initiative under the UMEED programme, a Central government scheme, and set up a successful dairy farm with 10 cows. She also started Zamzam, a self-help for local women to set up enterprises, and shared her skills in animal husbandry, dairy farming, polyhouse farming and computers.

Participated in Modi's event

Her successful farming venture saw J&K's top officials, including advisers to the then Governor, principal secretary and other secretaries, all visiting her unit in Batargam. "In 2018, I was nominated by the J&K government for a national award for promoting entrepreneurship. I participated in Prime Minister Narendra Modi's live interaction programme in July 2018," Ms. Sadaf said.

Notwithstanding her past, Ms. Sadaf's name has been dropped from the electoral rolls now for "failing to provide substantial documents to support her citizenship". She can't return to PoK as the ties between India and Pakistan took a nosedive post August 5, 2019, with people's movement being halted between the two parts of the erstwhile J&K.

She hasn't given up though. "I will continue to work peacefully for positivity in Kashmir. I came under a policy during a particular regime and there is a new regime now. I am hopeful a regime will come in the future and deliver justice to us," she added.

Sixty-three km from Dragmulla, Shazia Aslam, also from the PoK capital Muzaffarabad, is away from the election scene in Hajin. Her candidature was also cancelled in December 2020 "for making false declaration about her citizenship in India".

"Out of around 10,000 votes, my wife had bagged around 7,000 votes when the results were held back. Shazia was popular because of her urbane approach and education. She was good at understanding issues. She was contesting against the bigger political force then, the People's Alliance of Gupkar Alliance (PAGD), as an independent candidate," her husband Muhammad Aslam told *The Hindu*. He had also crossed into PoK in 1990 and returned home in 2006 under the official rehabilitation programme.

A hand of support for tanpura makers

"We are the fifth generation making these string instruments. We were given *Rajashray* (royal patronage) in 1862, but the way things were going, this art will not survive beyond this generation. We make up to ₹500 a day, the younger generation is not that attracted to it," says Mr. Mullah.

His father, Yusuf Mullah, is a much-feted string instrument maker, with Hindustani music maestro Bhimsen Joshi having been a faithful patron.

After having knocked on many doors, Mr. Mullah wrote to ICCR president Vinay Sahasrabuddhe about the problems faced by his tribe.

"For 1.3 billion people, and countless afficianados abroad, there are only 220 *karigars* (artisans), mostly concentrated in Goa or Kolkata," he said.

Mr. Sahasrabuddhe's response was immediate, and one of the first things he did was to set up a meeting between Mr. Mullah and the Postmaster General of India, in New Delhi. "Our immediate issue was regarding the parcels of instruments that we used to send abroad through speed post. The Department of Posts changed it from weighted charges to volumetric post, that raised our costs by three times the amount," said Mr. Mullah. The Postmaster General agreed to make an exception for the parcelling of string instruments and some relief was gained. "Our major problems, however, remained. Our worst period was of course between 1990 and 2000 with the rising popularity of electronic instruments. Fortunately, acoustic sound made a quick comeback, and our business went up again, but not enough to attract the next generation," he said.

Mr. Sahasrabuddhe told *The Hindu* that preserving the tradition of making and maintaining Indian string instruments was important as they were "the tangible and intangible heritage of India, and Indian musical tradition".

Electoral bond sales from tomorrow

The scheme allows donors to fund the poll campaigns of political parties of their choice by purchasing bonds through specified bank branches.

The scheme originally envisaged making such bonds available for 10 days each in January, April, July and October, with an additional 30-day period to be specified by the Central Government in the year of the general election.

Only those parties registered under Section 29A of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 and which secured not less than 1% of votes polled in the last general election or State election, are eligible to receive the bonds.

Investigators ask consultant about its audit of AIIMS cybersystems

The security agencies probing the cyber attack on the hospital's server have approached the executives of Ernst & Young to examine if they found any vulnerabilities in the system when they audited it a few months ago

Vijaita Singh
NEW DELHI

Security agencies have approached the consultancy firm Ernst & Young (E&Y) regarding the November 23 cyberattack at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) in Delhi.

The attack has crippled the servers and e-hospital services at the country's premier public healthcare facility, causing major inconvenience to its patients.

A government source told *The Hindu* that AIIMS had engaged E&Y, a third party, to conduct an audit of its cybersystems in the middle of this year. One law enforcement agency called E&Y executives last week, to assist in the investigation and to examine if the auditors had found any vulnerabilities in the system.

The source said that the investigators suspect that the attack on the AIIMS servers was initiated about two months ago at the behest of state-sponsored actors from a neighbouring country. "AIIMS servers were running on software called Zimbra that specialises in e-mail services. The vulnerabilities in Zimbra were known as early as February this year. It is to be seen what prudent steps were taken by AIIMS to check the loopholes," the source said.

Dangerous attack: Stranded patients and relatives after AIIMS servers were breached in November in a hacking attempt. SUSHIL KUMAR VERMA

Zimbra is owned by the U.S.-based Synacor, a software and services company. AIIMS Director M. Srinivas did not respond to text messages or calls from *The Hindu*. An E&Y executive also did not respond to a question from *The Hindu* on the examination of its executives by a government agency.

On November 23, the AIIMS said in a statement that the National Informatics Centre (NIC) had informed it that its servers were down, and that this may have been due to a ransomware attack.

The Delhi Police also registered a first information report (FIR) under Section 385 of the Indian Penal Code (which refers to putting a person in fear of injury in order to commit extortion) and Section 66/66F of the Information Technology Act, pertaining to cyberterrorism and computer-related offences against unknown persons.

'Conspiracy'

On December 2, Minister of State for Electronics and IT Rajeev Chandrasekhar said that the attack on the servers of AIIMS was a conspiracy and was planned by forces that are significant. Though it was the Delhi Police that registered the case, a host of government bodies such as the Computer Emergency Response System (CERT-IN), NIC, the National Investigation Agency (NIA), and the National Security Council Secretariat (NSCS) are also investigating the incident.

On November 29, the Ministry of Home Affairs convened a meeting with all agencies, including the AIIMS Director regarding the cyberattack. Earlier, a Delhi Police official had said the server was prone to hacking because of the lack of safety features.

Row over law college book: author among four booked

The Hindu Bureau
BHOPAL

Four persons, including the principal of a government-run law college in Indore, and the author and the publisher of a book, were booked on Saturday for allegedly promoting enmity between different groups and hurting religious feelings.

The FIR was registered following a complaint filed by a student of Government New Law College, a member of the Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP), who alleged that the book *Collective Violence and Criminal Justice System* contained objectionable content against the Hindu community and the RSS, and encouraged religious fundamentalism.

The ABVP further objected to keeping the book, authored by Farhat Khan and published by Amar Law Publication, in the college library.

The book was later removed from the library. On Saturday, State Home Minister Narottam Mishra directed the police to register a case after an investigation in 24 hours into the contents of the book.

SIA searches on members of Al-Badar in the Valley

The Hindu Bureau
SRINAGAR

The State Investigation Agency (SIA), a special cell of the J&K Police, on Saturday continued with its crackdown on "networks of militant outfits" and searched multiple locations across Kashmir.

The SIA said ₹29 lakh was recovered during the searches in Kupwara, Baramulla, Bandipora, Srinagar and Budgam. "Continuing to rein in the networks of outfits with a purpose of destroying its ecosystems completely, the SIA conducted searches at multiple locations," it said. The case pertained to the members of Al-Badar, a militant organisation in Pakistan, "which with active support and connivance of Pakistani agencies under a well-knit criminal conspiracy with some identified persons and overground workers are raising funds for furtherance of activities in J&K," the agency said.

Kashmir Files controversy: three IFFI jurors back Lapid, Indian member Sen differs

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Jinko Gotoh, Pascale Chavance and Javier Angulo Barturen say they are making an artistic statement

Three jury members of the recently concluded International Film Festival of India have said they stand by Israeli filmmaker Nadav Lapid's remarks on the film *The Kashmir Files*.

In a statement published on Twitter on Saturday, jury member Jinko Gotoh, an Oscar-nominated BAFTA winner, and two fellow jurors, Pascale Chavance and Javier Angulo Barturen, stated that the entire jury knew and agreed with what Mr. Lapid said.

"We stand by his statement," the three jurors said in the tweet. They went on to clarify that the three were "not taking a political stance on the film's content".

"We were making an artistic statement, and it saddens us greatly to see the festival platform being used for politics and subsequent personal attacks on Nadav. That was never the intention of the jury," the tweet added.

Mr. Lapid had termed the film "vulgar" and "propaganda". Following his comments on November 28, Mr. Lapid faced a backlash leading him to clarify that he did not mean to deny the tragedy of Kashmiri Pandits, but had only commented on the movie's "cinematic manipulations", and that the tragedy "deserves a serious movie".

Sudipto Sen, the only Indian filmmaker on the IFFI International Competition jury, has said that Mr. Lapid made the statement in his personal capacity. He pointed out that he was not a signatory to the statement released by three jurors on Twitter.

"As a Board member, I stand by [the decision] that we didn't award *The Kashmir Files*. We only awarded five films. This decision was unanimous. And we gave an official presentation to the NFDC and the festival authority. After that the jury board's work is done... Now after that if somebody goes in public and picks up one particular film and says something that is not expected, then that is his personal feeling. It has nothing to do with the jury board," Mr. Sen said.

"I was the only Indian in the jury. I should have been part of that statement of the jury Board. If they have excluded me, that means they know that Sudipto does not stand by it," he added.

(With PTI inputs)

Israeli envoy says he received anti-Semitic remarks post IFFI row

Kallol Bhattacherjee
NEW DELHI

Several anti-Semitic messages were sent to the Israeli envoy Naor Gilon after Israeli filmmaker Nadav Lapid, who was the chair of the jury at the International Film Festival of India (IFFI) in Goa, described *The Kashmir Files*, a film directed by Vivek Agnihotri about the exodus of the Kashmiri Pandit community from the Valley, as "vulgar" and "propaganda" on November 29.

In comments to *The Hindu*, the Israeli envoy said discussion on difficult issues should be "civilised".

Posting one of the hate-filled messages, Mr. Gilon, who has defended the film and criticised the jury chief, said he wanted to show the message without revealing the identity of the sender. Israel and India are marking the 30th anniversary of establishment of bilateral relation and this is the first time an envoy of the Jewish state has been targeted through hate speech. "Just wanted to share one of a few DMs I got in this direction. According to his profile, this guy has a Ph.D. Though he doesn't deserve my protection, I decided to delete his identifying information," said Mr. Gilon posting one of the hate messages that were sent to him on a social media platform.

Naor Gilon

The message praised German dictator Hitler and the European Holocaust that killed six million people of Jewish origin.

Three killed in blast near Trinamool's rally venue

The Hindu Bureau
KOLKATA

Three people were killed and two others injured in a blast inside the house of a Trinamool Congress supporter in the Bhupatinagar area, a few kilometres from the venue where party leader Abhishek Banerjee had addressed a rally, in Purba Medinipur district of West Bengal on Friday.

The blast occurred in the house of Trinamool leader Rajkumar Manna.

Parts of the roof of the thatched house were blown off. Local people said that they heard a loud sound from the house in the evening. Father of one of the deceased, Biswajit Gayen, said his son had gone to Manna's house.

Navy puts on hold plans for bigger aircraft carrier, mulls repeat of *Vikrant*-sized vessel: Navy chief

Dinakar Peri
NEW DELHI

The Indian Navy has for now, "put on hold" the plan for a bigger Indigenous Aircraft Carrier (IAC-2) and is examining the possibility of a repeat order for a Vikrant-sized carrier built indigenously as part of its requirement for a third carrier, the Chief of the Naval Staff (CNS), Admiral R. Hari Kumar, said while stating that the Navy has made a commitment to the top leadership to be fully *Aatma Nirbhar* by 2047.

To a question on the eight Indian Navy veterans under solitary confinement in Qatar, he said, "There is continuous effort and we are hopeful that it will be resolved," he said at the annual press conference ahead of Navy Day.

Navy chief Admiral R. Hari Kumar and Vice-chief Vice Admiral S.N. Ghormade addressing a press conference on Saturday. PTI

On IAC-2, Adm. Kumar said work was still on to decide what size it should be and what were the capabilities desired. "Right now we have put a hold on it because we have just commissioned *Vikrant*. A lot of expertise has been gained in building IAC-1 in the Cochin shipyard. We are also examining if we should repeat order an IAC-1 instead of going for an IAC-2 to capitalise on the expertise available in the country and how we can plough back into the economy," he said.

The Navy has been pushing for a second Indigenous Aircraft Carrier (IAC-II) based on its force structure centered around three carriers. The country's first IAC *Vikrant* was commissioned in October and is gearing up for aviation trials. Earlier, the Navy had envisaged an IAC-II with a displacement of 65,000 tonnes with Catapult Assisted Take Off But Arrested Recovery (CATOBAR) for launching aircraft and full electric propulsion.

Two killed in gunfire in Sikar district of Rajasthan

Press Trust of India
SIKAR

An alleged gangster was shot dead by five men at the gate of his house in Sikar district of Rajasthan on Saturday, the police said.

Another man who had gone to meet his daughter studying in a coaching institute was also killed.

Raju Theth, who had several criminal cases against him and was out of jail on bail, was the rival of Anandpal Singh, who was killed in a police encounter in 2017.

An official said that a man identified as Tarachand was hit by bullets and died. His daughter studies in a coaching institute and he had reached there to meet her.

After modest voting, EC seeks a bigger urban turnout

The Hindu Bureau
AHMEDABAD

Shocked by the lower turnout, the BJP doubled down on its campaign for the second phase

In the wake of the modest turnout in the first phase of the Gujarat Assembly election, the Election Commission (EC) has appealed to urban voters to come out in large numbers to vote in the second phase on December 5.

In the first phase of polling on December 1, the turnout was 63.31%, lower than the 67.8% registered in 2017 in the 89 seats that went for voting in the first phase.

The first phase covered 19 districts of Saurashtra and south Gujarat regions. Surat, Rajkot, and Jamnagar have recorded lower than the State's average voter turnout of 63.3%, raising concerns about the voter apathy or fatigue factor in the crucial election.

In a rare appeal in the middle of the election, the poll body tweeted: "Urban apathy continues unabated from Shimla [in Himachal Pradesh where voting was held on November 12] to Surat. ECI appeals to voters of Gujarat to come out in large numbers during second phase to compensate for low voting in 1st phase." Shimla recently recorded the lowest turnout of 62.53% as against the State average of 75.6%.

Particularly in urban pockets such as Surat, Rajkot and Jamnagar in Gujarat, a lower percentage of voting has raised concern. This election has been been a dull season despite high-voltage campaigning by the ruling party and the new political entrant – Aam Aadmi Party (AAP).

Shocked by the lower turnout, the ruling party doubled down on its campaign for the second phase with Prime Minister Narendra Modi holding two mega roadshows in Ahmedabad.

Other BJP leaders also held roadshows in urban pockets in a bid to get the party cadre on the streets before the polling.

Chief Election Commissioner Rajeev Kumar said, "Gujarat cities have shown a similar urban apathy trend during voting on December 1, thus pulling down the percentage of voting in the first phase. In the second phase, people must come out in large numbers to compensate for the low voting in phase one."

Campaigning for second phase of election draws to a close in Gujarat

Around 2.51 crore voters are eligible to vote tomorrow in 93 Assembly constituencies spread across 14 districts of north and central Gujarat; Ahmedabad and Vadodara too go to the polls

The Hindu Bureau
AHMEDABAD

Ahead of the voting for the second phase of the Gujarat Assembly election on Monday, campaigning ended at 5 p.m. on Saturday. As many as 833 candidates are in the fray in 93 constituencies of north and central Gujarat, which go to the polls in this phase.

The votes will be counted on December 8, along with those of the Himachal Pradesh election.

Around 2.51 crore voters are eligible to vote in the second phase. The major cities of Ahmedabad and Vadodara go to the polls on Monday.

Prominent candidates include Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel from Ghatlodia; Patidar leader Hardik Patel from Viramgam; Other Backward Class (OBC) leader Alpesh Thakor from Gandhinagar South; Congress leader Jignesh Mevani from Vadgam; former Gujarat Congress president Amit Chavda from Anklav; and Leader of the Opposition in the State Assembly Sukhram Rathwa from Jetpur Pavi.

Curtain closer: BJP supporters during a roadshow of Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel in Ahmedabad ahead of Gujarat Assembly election on Saturday. VIJAY SONEJI

Smooth conduct

The Election Commission has deployed 29,000 presiding officers and over 84,000 polling officers in 14 districts, with elaborate arrangements for the smooth conduct of the polling process.

There are 26,409 polling booths in the State.

On the last day of campaigning, the ruling BJP continued its high-voltage campaign with Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, Union Home Minister Amit Shah, and others addressing gatherings and holding roadshows in the State.

Congress leaders held several rallies and meetings in keeping with their low-key campaign format. From the AAP, Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann held roadshows at three places. The ruling BJP faces rebels contesting as Independent candidates in Padra, Vaghodia, Dhanera and Bayad.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi wrapped up his campaign for the BJP with a whirlwind schedule on December 1 and 2.

INBRIEF

Trinamool, BJP leaders hold rallies targeting each other

Trinamool Congress general secretary Abhishek Banerjee and Leader of the Opposition Suvendu Adhikari of the BJP targeted each other's fiefdoms on Saturday with their choice of rally venues. While Mr. Banerjee held a rally at Contai near the residence of Mr. Adhikari, the latter chose to address a gathering at Diamond Harbour, the constituency which the Trinamool leader represents in the Lok Sabha. While panchayat polls are yet to be announced in the State, the meetings spiked political temperatures. Violence erupted at Diamond Harbour as supporters of the Trinamool and the BJP clashed.

Uddhav slams Shinde's silence on Karnataka CM's remarks

Shiv Sena (Uddhav Balasaheb Thackeray) chief Uddhav Thackeray on Saturday slammed Chief Minister Eknath Shinde for his silence over the statements made by his Karnataka counterpart Basavaraj Bommai on the decades-old inter-State boundary dispute between the two States. On Friday, Mr. Bommai said the visit of Maharashtra Ministers Chandrakant Patil and Shambhuraj Desai to Belgaum (Belagavi) was not good in the given situation. The Nationalist Congress Party's national spokesperson Clyde Crasto too questioned the "eerie silence" of the State government, the BJP and the Centre on the "uncalled for" statements made by Mr. Bommai.

Report filed on monastery land encroachment in Assam

More than 1,800 hectares of land belonging to 303 Vaishnav monasteries in Assam are under encroachment, an interim report prepared by a panel of MLAs has revealed. Founded by the 15-16th Century saint-reformer Srimanta Sankaradeva, a Satra is a Vaishnav monastery that also serves as a centre of performing arts. "An aggregate of 7,504 bighas or 1,898 hectares of land is under encroachment across 303 Satras in Assam," Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma said, lauding the panel of MLAs for compiling the report. The report will now be reviewed and follow-up action will be taken, he added.

Tewari flays 'repeated attacks' on judiciary

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Senior Congress leader and advocate Manish Tewari on Saturday said repeated attacks on the higher judiciary are being made to "delegitimise" its decision-making process.

His comments come a day after Vice-President Jagdeep Dhankhar had said that there is no instance in the world where a Constitution Amendment unanimously passed by Parliament, reflecting the will of the people, can be undone by the judiciary.

Collegium system

Though the Vice-President did not explicitly name the amendment, his reference was to the now-quashed National Judicial Appointments Commission through the 99th Amendment that sought to replace the Collegium system of appointing judges.

"I am surprised at Vice-President @jdhankhar1 rather vitriolic diatribe against NJAC judgement of Supreme Court. As a lawyer he understands that in our Constitutional scheme, Courts are final arbiters of Laws even those passed unanimously by legislature," Mr. Tewari said on Twitter. "First Law Minister @KirenRijiju now @jdhankhar1 there seems to be a concerted attempt to delegitimise the decision making process of the Higher Judiciary," he added.

Mr. Tewari said judges were not infallible but if the government had a problem with the NJAC judgement, it should have brought a new law. "What is the rationale in attacking the judiciary, withholding judicial appointments unless this is a softening up exercise for something portentous in the works. The stage for a larger executive-judiciary confrontation is being set," he said.

Congress to focus on border issue, inflation, caste census during Parliament session

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The border situation with China, the economic situation including inflation, and interference with autonomous institutions such as the judiciary are the three broad issues over which the Congress would press for a discussion in the Winter Session of Parliament that begins on December 7.

Party president Mallikarjun Kharge, who will continue to be the Leader of the Opposition in the Rajya Sabha, will approach like-minded parties to formulate a joint strategy.

This was decided at a meeting of the Congress's parliamentary strategy group that took place at the residence of Sonia Gandhi, who continues to head the Congress Parliamentary Party (CPP).

Jairam Ramesh

Briefing presspersons after the meeting, Congress communication chief Jairam Ramesh said that Mr. Kharge had shortlisted nearly 15 issues, including the recent collapse of the suspension bridge at Morbi, cyberattack on the All India Institute of Medical Sciences and the Law Minister's repeated attack on the judiciary.

"The first big issue is the stand-off that we have with China for the past 22 months. But there has been no discussion in Parliament. We will raise this and we hope that we will get the support of other parties as well," Mr. Ramesh added.

Government's silence

Earlier, in the day, Congress spokesperson Supriya Shrinate cited media reports about China building temperature-controlled shelters in the Depsang area in Ladakh and questioned the government's "silence" over the issue.

Mr. Ramesh said the party will also press for a caste-based census and raise the recent Supreme Court judgment pertaining to reservation for Economicaly Weaker Sections (EWS).

Umar, Saifi discharged in Delhi riots case

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

A court here on Saturday discharged former Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) student Umar Khalid and United Against Hate founder Khalid Saifi in a case related to the 2020 north-east Delhi riots.

It passed the order while directing that charges be framed against AAP leader Tahir Hussain and 10 others in the case.

AIUDF chief retracts remark on 'Muslim marriage formula'

The Hindu Bureau
GUWAHATI

All India United Democratic Front (AIUDF) chief and Assam MP Maulana Badruddin Ajmal on Saturday issued an apology for "inadvertently hurting the sentiments" of the people of Assam. "I take back my statement," he said, reacting to the criticism.

Mr. Ajmal courted controversy by advising Hindus to marry at a young age for producing more children like Muslims.

MP's comments

He also ruffled some feathers by indicating Hindu men find it difficult to reproduce as they marry after turning 40 following a near-conjugal life with more than one woman.

"They [Hindu men] marry after 40 if forced by their parents or for some other reasons. Such an age is not ideal for having babies," the AIUDF leader who represents the Dhubri Lok Sabha seat said, suggesting the "Muslim formula" of marriage for Hindus to ensure a large family.

The State Congress unit said the police should register a case against the AIUDF leader for posing law and order problems.

The Trinamool Congress lodged a First Information Report (FIR) against Mr. Ajmal in Guwahati.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY
Trivandrum Division

E-TENDER NOTICE No. V/TRD-OT/11/2022-23 item 1 DATED: 02.12.2022; Name of work: Trivandrum Division - OHE modification in connection with raising of platform at various stations.; Tender Value: ₹ **29,41,549.67**; Period of Completion: **180 days**; Earnest Money Deposit : ₹ **58,800/-**; Date and Time of Tender closing: **29.12.2022 @ 14.00 hrs**.

E-TENDER NOTICE No. V/TRD-OT/11/2022-23 item 2 DATED: 02.12.2022; Name of work: Trivandrum Division - Modification of existing IOL type NS to PTFE type NS at KZK/FP and at 2 Sectioning Posts; Tender Value: ₹ **1,43,44,495.45**; Period of Completion: **180 days**; Earnest Money Deposit : ₹ **2,21,700/-**; Date and Time of Tender closing: **29.12.2022 @ 14.00 hrs**.

E-TENDER NOTICE No. V/TRD-OT/11/2022-23 item 3 DATED: 02.12.2022; Name of work: Trivandrum Division - Improvement of OHE system reliability by replacement of Rusted Cantilever Assemblies in SRR-TVC section.; Tender Value: ₹ **16164725.40**; Period of Completion: **180 days**; Earnest Money Deposit : ₹ **2,30,800/-**; Date and Time of Tender closing: **29.12.2022 @ 14.00 hrs**.

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GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY & VETERINARY SERVICES,
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No: CAH/KLDA/NLM/EoI-Fodder Seeds/2022-23 Date: 03-12-2022
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The Commissioner of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore hereby invites **Expression of Interest for Assistance for Certified Fodder Seeds Production under National Livestock Mission(NLM)** through e-Procurement (Website: **https//eproc.karnataka.gov.in**) from eligible Bidders, for purchase of Certified Fodder Seeds for the Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services through e-Procurement for the year 2022-23 with a validity period up to one Year.
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Sd/-
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O/o The Superintending Engineer (SRDP/P-WZ),GHMC, Hyderabad
NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING
Tender Notice No.09/SE(SRDP/P-WZ)/GHMC/2022-23 /(Recall), Date: 03-12-2022
No. 1, Name of Work : Consultancy services for preparation of Benefit Monitoring and Evaluation (BME) report of the Flyovers / Grade Separators constructed under Strategic Road Development Program (SRDP) over signalized junctions (28 Structures) and (10) major corridors developed and maintained under Comprehensive Road Maintenance Program (CRMP) in GHMC

Sl. No	Events	Date and Time
01	Start date	05-12-2022 from 04.00 PM
02	Pre-bid Meeting Date	14-12-2022 at 03.00 PM, **Location:** In the chambers of the Chief Engineer (P), GHMC 6th Floor CC Complex, Tank Bund, Hyderabad.
03	Uploading of replies to pre-bid queries	17-12-2022 at 04.00 PM
04	Download End date	02-01-2023 upto 02.00 PM
05	Last Date & Time for Receipts of Bids	02-01-2023 upto 03.00 PM
06	Opening of Technical bid	02-01-2023 after 03.30 PM
07	Opening of Price bid	04-01-2023 after 04.00 PM

Note: The Bidders are advised to visit www.tender.telangana.gov.in to download Bid Document Any Queries can be addressed to sesrdpowz@gmail.com and contact number: 9989930405, Address of the officer concerned Sri .S. Venkataramana, SE (SRDP/P-WZ) Superintending Engineer SRDP/P-WZ), Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation, Tank Bund Road, Hyderabad. Further details can be seen at 'e' Procurement @ www.tender.telangana.gov.in
DIPR No. 9744-PP/CL/ADVT/1/2022-23, Dt: 03.12.2022 **Sd/- Superintending Engineer, (SRDP/P-WZ), GHMC.**

Government of Karnataka
Administrative Training Institute
Lalitha Mahal Road, Mysore 570011
File No: ATI/175/EST/EST1/2022-ADMN-ATI
Date:30.11.2022
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INBRIEF

PM to open first phase of Nagpur-Mumbai Expressway

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the first phase of the 701-km 'Hindu Hrudayasamrat Balasaheb Thackeray Maharashtra Samruddhi Mahamarg' on December 11. The 839-km distance from Nagpur to Mumbai, which typically takes 17 hours to cover, will be reduced to seven hours on the new expressway, built at a project outlay of ₹55,335 crore. It runs past 392 villages across 10 districts. This six-lane access-controlled road, designed for a top speed of 150 kmph, is the second expressway in the State after the Mumbai-Pune Expressway.

ED seizes 290 tonnes of betel nut from Mumbai and Nagpur

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) on Saturday seized unaccounted-for betel nut of 289.57 tonnes valued at roughly ₹11.5 crore from Mumbai and Nagpur. The agency searched 17 commercial and residential areas for those involved in smuggling of betel nuts of Indonesian origin, smuggled mostly via the India-Myanmar border. During the searches, the godown owner failed to furnish supporting documentation such as stock register, bills, invoices, quality certificate and transport documents.

With few takers, NFR cancels some Darjeeling 'toy trains'

The Northeast Frontier Railway (NFR) has decided to cancel a few trains in the Darjeeling Himalayan Railway section due to "insufficient patronisation". The train services include a pair of tri-weekly AC passenger trains currently running between New Jalpaiguri and Darjeeling and two pairs of diesel special joyrides between Darjeeling and Ghum stations, the NFR said. While the tri-weekly passenger will remain cancelled from December 17 to February 28, 2023, the special joyrides will not operate from December 6 to 31.

Houseboat festival held in Srinagar to boost tourism

With the Kashmir Tourism Department on Saturday organising a houseboat festival in Srinagar, the much-famed and intricately carved houseboats will be this winter season's main tourist attraction in the Valley. The houseboat festival, a tourism official said, is a celebration of the unique role played by houseboats in attracting tourists from across the globe. *Shikaras*, which are small wooden boats, were decked up on the Dal lake for the occasion.

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'SC order on higher pension contribution has legal, financial, actuarial, logistical implications'

Labour Minister says evaluation of judgment has been initiated to ensure that the Employee Pension Scheme is sustainable for future generations

INTERVIEW

Bhupender Yadav

A.M. Jigeesh

The 17th Asia and the Pacific Regional Meeting (APRM) of the International Labour Organisation will be held in Singapore between December 5 and 9. Union Labour Minister Bhupender Yadav says India will make suggestions on sustainable financing of social security. On the recent Supreme Court verdict on higher EPFO pension, Mr. Yadav says it is being examined by his Ministry as it has several implications. Excerpts:

The APRM will discuss actions to enhance job-rich growth. What are to be India's concrete suggestions towards this?

In Singapore, India's suggestions will include the way to strengthen employment service portals, integration of job portals across the globe to bridge the gap between job-seekers and employers, a system for skill gap mapping for employment growth, and the formalisation of economy by providing social security to the informal sector workers, including gig and platform workers. Our suggestions will also include sustainable financing of social security; facilitating the growth of gig and platform economy; extension of credit facility to promote self-employment and entrepreneurship; the promotion of investment in physical and digital infrastructure; leveraging the opportunities presented by green economy; aligning labour laws with the current economic scenario; and compliance mechanisms to be simplified and updated, in consonance with the latest technological developments.

Social justice for a human-centred recovery is the theme of the main agenda in the meeting. How do you see labour market recovery in India after the pandemic? A recent ILO report said the recovery is going to be slow in the region due to multiple factors such as inflation and growing unemployment rate.

The Indian economy is on the path of achieving the Prime Minister's vision of becoming a $5-trillion economy by 2024-25. Budget 2021-22 has made provisions for a sharp increase in public investment to boost economic activity. Budget 2022-23 further provided a strong impetus for growth, with capital expenditure being stepped up sharply by 35.4%, to ₹7.5 lakh crore from ₹5.54 lakh crore in the current fiscal.

This outlay will not only boost economic activity but also concurrently improve the employment situation in the country.

The institutional framework to support transitions towards formality and decent work is another key agenda. Trade unions here have been arguing that steps such as fixed term employment (FTE) are against formalisation of employment. How do you look at this?

FTE has already been notified in the Central sphere as a type of employment for all sectors in the Schedule to the Industrial Establishment (Standing Orders) Act. It was notified on March 16, 2018 and incorporated in the Industrial Relations Code too. FTE intends to create a balance between the rights of the employer and the employees. FTE will also obviate the role of middlemen such as contractors, and direct hiring by the employer would lead to better career progression. The provision of all benefits to fixed-term employees at par with the permanent employees will contribute to the formalisation of the economy.

Social security is another main point of discussion. The Code on Social Security is yet to be implemented. The recent Supreme Court order on higher PF pension is also to be implemented. What is your approach towards both the issues?

Consultations and consensus-building is an intrinsic part of cooperative federalism. In this spirit, wider consultations are continuously being undertaken. The Code on Social Security, 2020, received the assent of the President of India on September 28, 2020 and shall come into force on such date/dates, as may be decided. So far only Section 142 has been operationalised, which relates to the grant of benefit and services based on biometric Aadhaar system for the identification of beneficiaries.

Now to the second part of your question, the case is mainly about the constitutional validity of the 2014 amendments made to the pension scheme.

The court has held that it cannot direct the government to operate a pension scheme in a particular manner, and it is open for the Centre to amend the scheme either prospectively or retrospectively including changing the rate of contribution, condition of the eligibility and the scale of benefits. Direction has been made in the exercise of jurisdiction available under Article 142 to the effect that the members existing on September 1, 2014 will be permitted to exercise the option to contribute on full salaries to the pension fund within a time window of the next four months. The judgment of the Supreme Court is being examined. It has legal, financial, actuarial and logistical implications. All pension funds have to be sustainable for the future generations therefore, in the larger public interest and that of social security it is imperative that the pension funds are kept in good financial health so that the pension payment liabilities in future, are met.

The interests of the employees that have been contributing to the pension fund below and above the wage ceiling will have to be safeguarded. The process of evaluating the actuarial implications of the judgment has been initiated in this spirit. The government is committed to providing a sustainable and adequate pension to all the employees that are members of the Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995.

Meetei on the masthead as Bengali script bows out of Manipuri titles

Dailies and magazines set a January 15 deadline for the switchover; publishers say many readers above a certain age will not be able to read the script but they respect the popular wish for its revival; only students up to college will be at ease

Iboyaima Laithangbam
IMPHAL

A revival: Imphal's 'Ima Kethel' (mothers' market) has its name emblazoned both in English and Meetei Mayek. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

On January 15, 2023, most Manipuri language newspapers may fail to hit the stands. From this date, all seven vernacular morning newspapers, nine evening papers and four periodicals in the tiny hill State will have to use only the Meetei Mayek or Manipuri script, replacing the Bengali script in use since the early 18th century.

The All-Manipur Working Journalists Union and the Editors Guild, Manipur came to an understanding with the script activists of the Meetei Erol Eyek Loinasilol Apunba Lup (MEELAL) a year ago, agreeing to replace the Bengali script in their newspapers from January 15, 2023. The previous deadline was February 2022.

Most editors and reporters privately say they are on a discreet job hunt, as they expect retrenchments and salary cuts even if some publishers decide to continue the publications in this script for some time.

According to the Sahitya Akademi, the history of the Meetei Mayek script dates back to at least the sixth century, and it had been in use till the 18th century. In 1709, a Hindu missionary named Shantidas Gosai came to Kangleipak, the ancient name for the independent kingdom of Manipur, to spread Vaishnavism. He mesmerised the kings and the high officials of the palace, and on royal orders, all religious and other precious books in Meitei Mayek were incinerated, and new ones written in the Bengali script. The Manipuri language was included in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution in 1992, but in Bengali script.

Towards phase-out

However, Meetei Mayek has seen a revival in the 21st century, with an initial shift to the Manipuri script in educational institutions and an amendment to the Manipur Official Language Act last year to mandate the phasing out of Bengali script in over the 10 years.

However, the stumbling block to a complete switchover has been the vernacular newspapers. After several rounds of talks between editors and MEELAL leaders, and the media's successful pleas to extend the deadline several times, January 15, 2023 was fixed as the final date.

"There will be an information gap in this age of information. The students up to university are using this script. But the students depend on their smartphones for news round-the-clock," says P. Labango Mangang, editor of the mass circulation evening daily in the State, *Kangla Pao*.

"The people aged 30 and above are too old to learn the Meetei script which means that there will be an outlandishly low circulation which cannot sustain a newspaper office. But we have to respect the popular wish to restore our own script." As of now, the Meetei Mayek edition of the *Hueiyen Lanpao* is the only one in the market using the script.

"The computers and operators and other infrastructure have to be organised. It will be an unbearable burden for this low budget newspaper," said Meghabarna Chongtham, editor of another eveninger, *Paoningkhol*.

Godhra case: bail pleas of convicts opposed in SC

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

The Gujarat government has opposed in the Supreme Court the bail pleas of some convicts of the 2002 Godhra train burning case, saying they were not merely pelting stones and their acts prevented people from escaping the burning coach.

The matter came up for hearing on Friday before a Bench of Chief Justice D.Y. Chandrachud and Justice P.S. Narasimha. The apex court, while asking the State to specify the individual roles of the convicts, observed that bail pleas of those who were accused of stone pelting could be considered as they have already spent 17-18 years in jail.

Solicitor-General Tushar Mehta, appearing for the State of Gujarat, said, "It is not a case of mere stone pelting." He told the Bench that he would examine the individual roles of these convicts and apprise the Bench about it.

A year on, kin of slain villagers await justice in Nagaland

Rahul Karmakar
GUWAHATI

In remembrance: A poster of 14 Konyak Nagas who were killed by the Army in Oting of Nagaland on December 4, 2021 RITU RAJ KONWAR

Last year, days ahead of Christmas, Indian Army commandos gunned down six coal miners near Oting village in Mon district of Nagaland after "mistaking" them for the members of an extremist outfit. A year has passed since that December 4, but the wounds have not quite healed for the villagers, awaiting justice for the families of 12 of their men killed in a botched Army operation.

Eight others – six from the same village, one commando and another person from Upper Tiru village – were killed on the spot when the villagers retaliated. Another person was killed in a firing in the district headquarters Mon the following day when an irate mob attacked an Assam Rifles camp.

On the eve of the first anniversary of the Oting killings, the Konyak Union (KU) has criticised the Centre for not sanctioning the prosecution of the Army personnel guilty of snuffing out the lives of the villagers. The union represents the Konyaks, the Naga tribe the slain men belonged to.

"The Nagaland government constituted a Special Investigation Team (SIT) that conducted a probe and filed the chargesheet naming 30 soldiers, including a Major. But there has been no attempt since to prosecute or book the culprits," H.A. Hongnao Konyak, KU vice-president, said. "We also don't know what happened to the internal probe the Army had conducted. What we know is that justice has eluded the families of the victims since no one has been punished yet," he said.

To protest the denial of justice, the Eastern Nagaland People's Organisation (ENPO), the apex tribal body of six districts comprising Eastern Nagaland, has asked every household in the region to hold a black flag protest on Sunday and Monday.

The KU will organise a prayer meeting at its office in Mon on Sunday for those killed. The union will also build a Martyr's Park from donations in Mon town in memory of the victims. The State government has provided land for the memorial.

The armed forces have been adhering to the policy of "no firing first" more rigidly since the Oting incident. This is because the commandos had fired at the miners after apparently mistaking them for extremists from the locally made hunting rifles they were carrying.

"There has always been a policy of not opening fire first, but this has become more stringent post-Oting," a senior Army officer on the Assam-Nagaland-Arunachal Pradesh trijunction said.

TEHRAN

Iran's hijab law is under review, says country's Attorney-General

AFP

Iran's parliament and the judiciary are reviewing a law which requires women to cover their heads, and which triggered more than two months of deadly protests, the Attorney-General said. The review team met on Wednesday with parliament's cultural commission "and will see the results in a week or two", he said. AFP

NEW ORLEANS

Macron caps U.S. visit with New Orleans trip, meet with Musk

REUTERS

French President Emmanuel Macron on Friday visited New Orleans, a city emblematic of historic Franco-American ties, to promote the French language and conclude his visit to the U.S. He also held a meeting with Twitter owner Elon Musk during which he conveyed Europe's concerns about content moderation on the platform. AFP

HUWARA

Israel security forces shoot dead Palestinian man in West Bank

AFP

The Israeli police shot dead a Palestinian man on Friday in the occupied West Bank, in an incident described by the force as a stabbing and by a Palestinian official as a quarrel. The shooting marks the ninth Palestinian killed since Tuesday in the West Bank, mostly in clashes with or raids by Israeli forces. AFP

ISLAMABAD

Pakistan's new Army chief says his country is ready for war if attacked

AP

Pakistan's newly appointed Army chief General Asim Munir on Saturday said that if his country is attacked, the troops will "not only defend every inch of our motherland, but take the fight back to the enemy". He made the remarks during his first visit to troops in the frontline areas in Rakhchikri Sector of the LoC on Saturday. PTI

Tamil MP warns of 'China go home' campaign in Sri Lanka

If China was a true friend, it would agree to either write off Sri Lanka's debt ($7.4 billion) or at least help restructure it, says Opposition lawmaker Shanakiyan Rasamanickam

Meera Srinivasan
COLOMBO

Sri Lankan Opposition legislator Shanakiyan Rasamanickam has threatened to launch a "China go home" campaign, akin to the 'Gota go home' movement that ousted the former President in the wake of the island's painful economic crash.

The 32-year-old MP, among the few Sri Lankan politicians comfortably trilingual in English, Tamil, and Sinhala, told the House on Friday: "I was exercising the sovereignty of the people of this country within this House. I am speaking on behalf of the people of Sri Lanka. I am not speaking on behalf of any other Embassy or country...but the Chinese Embassy repeatedly tagging me on twitter is a serious concern about this country's sovereignty."

His remarks follow a Twitter spat earlier this week, after the Tamil National Alliance's Batticaloa district parliamentarian, in a parliamentary address, sought greater cooperation from China in Sri Lanka's debt restructuring efforts. Sri Lanka's chances of securing an International Monetary Fund package depend on the government obtaining adequate financing assurances from its creditors, including private lenders and bilateral creditors. Sri Lanka owes $7.4 billion to China, a nearly $20 trillion-economy, Mr. Rasamanickam's pointed out, contending: "If China was a true friend, it would agree to either write off this debt or at least help restructure it". "If the Chinese government and Embassy do not look after the interests of our Lankan people... there will be a China go home [campaign] soon and I will lead it," he added.

'Monumental' help: The Lotus Tower in Colombo is among the Chinese funded projects in Sri Lanka. FILE PHOTO

The Chinese Embassy was quick to respond to his tweet earlier this week. "Sorry Mr. MP, your understanding is incorrect and incomplete," the mission said, adding it was Sri Lanka's "biggest supporter" in fighting COVID-19 and in livelihood relief. "Chinese President & Premier reiterated China's willingness and readiness to help Sri Lanka in various occasions," it said.

Close China ties

Colombo, irrespective of who is in power, has maintained close and cordial ties with China, unlike neighbouring Maldives whose current government openly pursues an "India first" foreign policy. However, public perception of China is more divided, as protests against the Chinese-backed Colombo Port City showed last year.

While China provided significant assistance during the pandemic – 80 % of the vaccines and crucial medical supplies – its support during the crisis has been limited, mostly to a $74 million grant, announced in May this year, at the height of the island's crisis.

India pitched in with nearly $4 billion this year, becoming the main source of emergency assistance for the dollar-strapped island nation. India and Japan have pledged support to the debt restructure process and the IMF programme. Meanwhile, all eyes are on China, as Sri Lanka hopes to expedite its negotiations with creditors, months after the government's sovereign default.

While the popular narrative of a "Chinese debt trap" in Sri Lanka has been repeatedly exposed as being inaccurate – most of Sri Lanka's loans originate from International Sovereign Bonds (ISBs) in the international money market – China is still the island's top bilateral creditor and therefore, an important player. "Chinese lending at the end of 2021 came to 19.6% of public external debt, much higher than the often-quoted 10-15% figures," a recent paper by Sri Lankan economists Umesh Moramudali and Thilina Panduwawala pointed out.

Pakistan summons Afghan diplomat following attack on its embassy in Kabul

Press Trust of India
ISLAMABAD

U.S. State Department Spokesperson Ned Price offered sympathies to those affected by violence

Pakistan has summoned Afghanistan's Charge d'Affaires in Islamabad and conveyed to him its deep concern over the attack on the country's Head of Mission in Kabul, it emerged on Saturday.

Ubaid-ur-Rehman Nizamani survived an attack on Pakistan's embassy in Kabul on Friday, drawing immediate condemnation and a demand for a probe from Islamabad.

Mr. Nizamani was targeted by unidentified gunmen while taking a walk in the embassy compound. His guard was critically injured in the attack.

The Pakistan Foreign Office said in a late-night statement that the Afghan diplomat was summoned on Friday evening and "conveyed Pakistan's grave concern".

"The Charge d'Affaires was conveyed that security and protection of Pakistan's diplomatic Missions and personnel was the responsibility of the Afghan Interim Government," it said.

Pakistan demanded that perpetrators of the attack must be brought to justice urgently, and that all necessary steps be taken to ensure the security of the diplomatic premises, it said.

Terming the attack "highly unfortunate", the Afghan Charge d'Affaires said that it was perpetrated by the common enemies of Pakistan and Afghanistan and has been condemned by the Afghan leadership in the strongest possible terms at the highest level.

Meanwhile, the U.S. has condemned Friday's attack on the Pakistani embassy in Afghanistan's capital.

"The United States condemns the attack on the Pakistani Embassy in Kabul targeting its head of mission. We offer our sympathies to those affected by the violence," U.S. State Department Spokesperson Ned Price said on Friday.

Junta puts to death seven students in Myanmar

Agence France-Presse
BANGKOK

The Myanmar junta handed out at least seven more death sentences this week, taking the tally of those on death row to 139, according to the United Nations.

At least seven male university students were sentenced to death by a military court behind closed doors on Wednesday, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Volker Turk said in a statement.

"By resorting to use death sentences as a political tool to crush opposition, the military confirms its disdain for the efforts to end violence and create the conditions for a political dialogue to lead Myanmar out of a human rights crisis created by the military," Mr. Turk said.

Turkey jails PKK member extradited from Sweden

Agence France-Presse
ISTANBUL

Mahmut Tat had fled to Sweden in 2015, but Stockholm rejected his request for asylum

A Turkish court on Saturday jailed a convicted member of the outlawed Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK) a day after Sweden extradited him, state media reported.

After Russia invaded Ukraine, Finland and Sweden in May dropped decades of military non-alignment and sought to join NATO.

That requires a consensus within the U.S.-led defence alliance, but Turkey and Hungary have so far not ratified their membership.

Turkey has demanded the Nordic countries take a tougher stance on Kurdish groups it deems "terrorists" in exchange for its backing.

Mahmut Tat was sentenced to more than six years in jail over being a member of the PKK in Turkey. He fled to Sweden in 2015, but Stockholm rejected his asylum request.

Mr. Tat arrived in Istanbul on Friday night after Sweden detained and extradited him, the *Anadolu* news agency reported. The Turkish police arrested him soon after arriving at Istanbul airport and referred him to a court on Saturday, which sent him to jail.

Turkey has accused Finland and Sweden in particular of providing a safe haven for outlawed Kurdish groups it deems "terrorists", and held back on ratifying their NATO bids despite an agreement in Madrid in June. Foreign Minister Mevlut Cavusoglu held trilateral talks with his Swedish and Finnish counterparts on the margins of a NATO meeting in Bucharest this week.

Ankara has said it expects Stockholm to take action on issues including the extradition of criminals and freezing of terror assets.

U.S., U.K. envoys on Afghanistan to visit Delhi this week

Suhasini Haidar
NEW DELHI

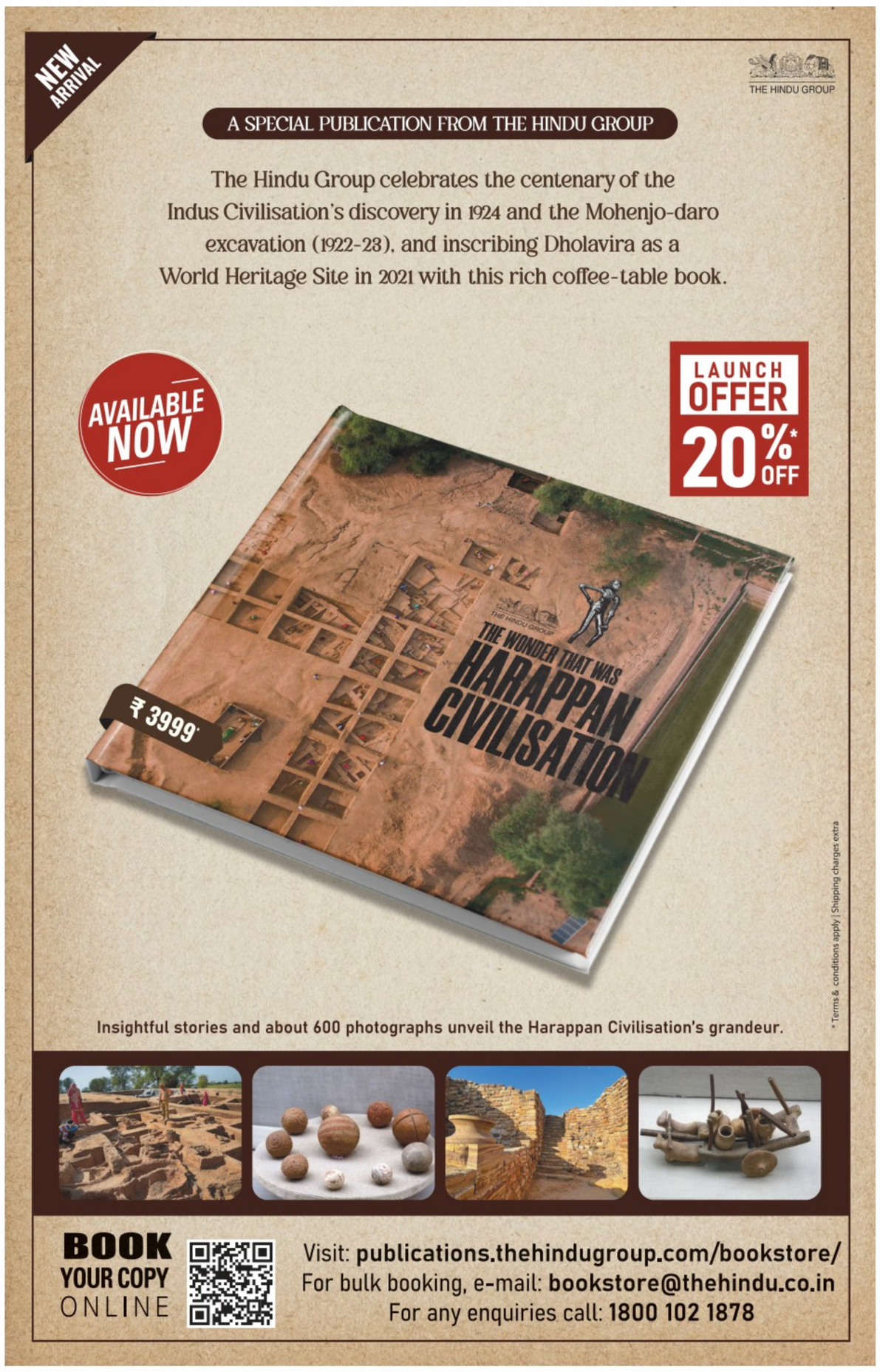
Days after U.S. and EU representatives met with former Afghan leaders at an anti-Taliban conference in Dushanbe, two senior Western diplomats will travel to Delhi this week to meet and brief Indian officials on the latest steps in Afghanistan.

On Monday, U.S. Special Representative for Afghanistan Thomas West is expected to meet with senior officials in the Ministry of External Affairs, including the point person for Afghanistan and Pakistan J.P. Singh and Deputy National Security Adviser Vikram Misri during a stopover in Delhi. Mr. West, who met with counterparts in Tokyo on Friday, will head to Abu Dhabi after his meetings in India, where he will meet officials and Afghans in exile.

On Thursday, the U.K. PM's Representative for Afghanistan and Pakistan Nigel Casey will meet with the officials as well.

"Special Representative West will consult with partners and Afghans regarding the humanitarian and economic crises in Afghanistan, protection of Afghans' rights, and shared security concerns," the U.S. State Department said while announcing the visit last week.

Meanwhile, the Taliban regime allowed former President Hamid Karzai, one of the few Afghan leaders who decided to stay on in Kabul after the Ghani government fell, to leave the country. Mr. Karzai, who had earlier planned to visit India in June, had been stopped from leaving by the Taliban. On Saturday, his former Finance Minister Omar Zakhiwal announced they had both left Kabul, and added they would both return to Afghanistan "soon". Mr. Karzai is expected to go to Germany via the UAE, and also visit other EU countries, where he will undergo health check-ups, and meet with Western officials and Afghan diaspora.



A large study shows immense benefits of reducing salt intake

Rajan Ravichandran

A recent study published in the *Journal of American College of Cardiology* showed a higher incidence of heart attacks, heart failure and strokes with higher frequency of adding salt to one's food. This did not include the salt used for cooking.

Over 1.76 lakh participants from the U.K. Biobank were followed up for an average of 11.8 years. Nearly 7,000 heart attacks and over 2,000 strokes were documented during this period.

DASH diet

After adjusting for all other risk factors, it was found that adding less salt with food was associated with fewer heart attacks and strokes. This was found to be true even in participants who were following the DASH diet (Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension).

DASH is the best recommended diet to prevent cardiovascular events. DASH diet involves eating fruits, vegetables, lean meat, poultry, nuts, whole grains, and reducing the intake of saturated fats, cholesterol, and sugar. The WHO recommends only 5 gm of salt per day. The recent study points to the immense benefit of avoiding salt on the table.

There is a paucity of large and reliable studies estimating the daily salt intake in our country. Whatever data we have still shows a consumption of more than 10 gm per day, far exceeding the recommended allowance. It could be worse in children since the recommendation is almost half. A study conducted by Sapiens heath foundation amongst school and college students in Chennai showed a 10% prevalence of hypertension.

Intake of salt may be worse in Indians since pickles are often introduced early in life. We cannot forget the hidden salt in preserved and packaged foods. The consumer is not given a choice to choose food items based on salt content.

High sodium content

Another confusion is that the majority of labels show sodium content. The ordinary consumer is not aware that 1 gm of sodium is 2.5 gm of salt. It is high time that a product is available in two forms – normal and low salt content like the fat content in milk.

Salt substitutes are good since majority of them contain up to 25% potassium chloride. A 2001 study found salt substitutes reduced the incidence of stroke and heart attack by almost 10%, and deaths too. It's time to remove that salt shaker from the table.

(*Rajan Ravichandran is Director, MIOT Institute of Nephrology, MIOT Hospitals, Chennai*)

China: Embracing a planned exit from zero-COVID strategy

Proponents of the zero-COVID strategy believed that the virus is amenable to eradication, but instead it has thrived and morphed into more infectious variants

Giridhara R. Babu

China's zero-COVID strategy aims at not allowing a single infection to happen in the country, aiming at an infection-free population over a prolonged period, achieved through two actions. First, all infected persons, regardless of their health status, are placed in strict isolation in demanding circumstances. Two, all the members in the community are segregated at home or work where even a single case has emerged until no new infections have occurred in the isolated group, usually for a period of two to three weeks.

At the same time, millions of people are continuously tested, and strict contact control is implemented. Also, most travel to and from the country is restricted, with infrequent visitors having to undergo a seven-day quarantine and several tests.

Is it unsustainable?

Proponents of the zero-COVID strategy believed that SARS-CoV-2 virus is amenable to eradication, a term reserved for the disappearance of the virus. Far from extinction, the virus has thrived and morphed into more infectious variant forms. The zero-COVID strategy postponed the inevitable outbreaks to a later point in the timeline, with the virus waiting to find a vast susceptible pool of persons.

The strategy offers a glowing short-term euphoric goal of minimal cases, only to see a rebound in increased cases and deaths, often resulting in excessive pressure on the healthcare system later and derangements in society's normal order. Consequently, people's suffering is prolonged.

This strategy would have been theoretically successful if the virus diminished in its capacity to infect or if the population was protected with both primary and booster vaccine doses. Neither of these were realistically achieved in China while the virus was continuously evolving.

While the virus is ubiquitous, it is unwise, disproportionate, costly, and useless to drive all resources toward detecting every case. Many countries including Singapore, Vietnam, Taiwan, South Korea, Hong Kong, Australia, and New Zealand realised that the zero-COVID strategy was a blunder as a destination and pursuit, and abandoned it after initial trials.

Still most vulnerable

Most countries have had more than three or four waves of infection, resulting in high natural infection levels. Coupled with immunity induced by effective vaccines, the rest of the world is witnessing endemic levels of COVID-19. In contrast, mainland China is extremely vulnerable, with poor vaccination coverage, especially among the elderly. With only one wave earlier, the current upsurge is yet to take off due to the zero-COVID strategy, making China a fertile ground for large-scale spread of the virus. Compounding the problem is that the two locally-made vaccines have shown poor efficacy and offer protection only for a shorter duration.

The virus will not spare any susceptible population pools; impositions of relentless lockdowns and restrictions cannot keep the virus at bay for long.

Instead of scaling up the manufacturing of effective vaccines and expanding the vaccination coverage in the population, China has frivolously prolonged the zero-COVID strategy.

Exit plan

Abandoning the zero-COVID strategy without a proper exit plan will undeniably lead to several massive waves of infection with multiple SARS-CoV-2 variants in China. China must relax restrictions, combined with expanding primary vaccination and booster coverage with effective vaccines, especially among the elderly and other vulnerable. The Chinese and world leaders need to ensure that China follows a balanced approach that tailors restrictions to subgroups at greater risk of severe disease and death while paying attention to equity.

It is essential to have a long-term strategy that prioritises population health and health equity. Taking a cue from the success of other public health programmes, China can ensure high vaccination coverage, especially among the elderly and other vulnerable people. If this is done before relaxing the strategy phase-wise, it might be a unique example of disease control in the modern world.

What happens in China will have an impact everywhere in the world. The WHO can offer technical support for revamping the strategy, effective vaccines, and escalating care provisions for the severely sick during the inevitable impending waves.

(*Giridhara R. Babu is a Professor of Epidemiology at the Public Health Foundation of India, Bengaluru*)

Trapped in its own success without an exit plan

Abandoning the zero-COVID strategy without a proper exit plan will lead to massive waves of infection and loss of lives

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- Most countries with three or four waves of infection have high natural infection levels, and coupled with vaccine-induced immunity, COVID-19 has reached endemic levels
- In contrast, mainland China is extremely vulnerable due to poor vaccination coverage, especially among the elderly
- The two locally-made vaccines have have shown poor efficacy and offer protection only for a shorter duration
- With only one wave so far, protection through natural infection is also low, making China a fertile ground for large-scale spread of the virus
- Instead of scaling up the vaccine manufacturing and expanding the vaccination coverage, China has stuck to zero-COVID strategy
- China has to expand primary and booster vaccination coverage with effective vaccines, especially among the vulnerable, before relaxing restrictions to reduce loss of lives

The risk: The focus has continued to be on isolation of the infected, harsh lockdowns and mass testing.

Increasing the shelf life of stored blood

Praveen Kumar Vemula
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Our team at the Institute for Stem Cell Science and Regenerative Medicine (DBT-inStem), an autonomous institute of the Department of Biotechnology, has developed a novel blood bag technology to enhance the quality and shelf life of stored blood.

Despite inadequate blood donation, millions of blood units are discarded due to decline in quality during storage. Stored blood has a finite shelf life. Typically, stored cells produce various extracellular components known as damage-associated molecular patterns (DAMPs), which damage the blood cells during storage.

Previous attempts

Although multiple attempts have been made to increase the quality of stored blood, they have limited success. Thus far, studies have focused on improving storage conditions through additives, rejuvenation solutions, and cryopreservation protocols. However, none of those approaches addressed the cause of the problem – the presence of damage causing extracellular components in the blood.

To tackle this issue, contrary to the conventional approaches, we have developed a novel approach to scavenge/capture and remove the damage-causing extracellular components during blood storage. This prevented the damage of stored blood cells, and enhanced their quality, and increased the shelf life of stored blood by about 25%.

Typical extracellular components being generated are free-iron and free-hemoglobin, bioactive lipids such as poly unsaturated fatty acids, extracellular DNA, nucleosomes, and proteins. During the storage, these components interact and damage red blood cells (RBCs). Capturing these DAMPs components without causing damage to the stored blood cells is highly challenging. Therefore, we have custom-designed nanofibrous sheets that can capture such damage-causing components and protect RBCs.

Limitations: Blood loses its quality upon storage and overall blood transfusion efficiency reduces.

Nanofibrous sheets

The key design factor is the following. Critical damage-causing agents are charged molecules. We hypothesised and demonstrated that charged nanofibrous sheets made with cationic and anionic polymers will help scavenge damage-causing agents through ionic interactions. These nanofibrous sheets can be made into blood bags.

DAMPs are produced when cells get destroyed and the DAMP components, in turn, damage the membrane of RBCs and reduce the membrane integrity, which makes the RBCs fragile. Upon transfusion, the fragile RBCs break down, leading to poor blood transfusion outcomes.

Intermittent capturing of DAMPs on day 21 or 28 after collection using the novel blood bags helped protect RBCs from losing their membrane integrity, and enhanced the transfusion efficiency. Scavenging of DAMPs can be completed in 15 minutes.

Typically, blood can be stored for 42 days before transfusion. Compared to fresh blood, blood loses its quality upon storage, and overall blood transfusion efficiency reduces. 42 days of stored old blood has the least transfusion efficiency than either fresh blood or 21 days of stored blood.

Increased shelf life

However, we have demonstrated that with our technology, the quality of 42 days of stored old blood is as good as freshly collected blood. Additionally, with our technology, the maximum shelf life of stored blood has increased by 25%. The results were published recently in *Nature Communications*.

Besides increasing the shelf life of stored blood, it may be a boon for preserving rare blood groups.

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SNAPSHOTS

Ancient skull found in China adds to hominin family tree

A rare, well-preserved ancient human skull found in central China could be a million-year-old *Homo erectus*. As excavation of the fossil continues, archaeologists and palaeoanthropologists anticipate that the skull could give a fuller and a detailed picture of the diverse family tree of archaic humans living throughout Eurasia in prehistoric times. It lies 35 metres from where two significant finds – dubbed the Yunxian Man skulls – were unearthed in 1989 and 1990.

Minerals found in iron-based meteorite in Somalia

Researchers have identified two, possibly even three, new minerals in a huge iron-based meteorite that landed in Somalia. The minerals have been named elaliite, after the meteorite's location near the town of El Ali, and elkinstantonite after Lindy Elkins-Tanton, lead investigator of a NASA mission to a metal-rich asteroid. The 2-metre-wide meteorite has been well known to generations of people who live in the area, where it was named Nightfall.

Megaconstellations to soon face regulations in the U.S.

Satellite 'megaconstellations' – such as SpaceX's Starlink Internet network, which already consists of thousands of satellites – might soon face some regulation in the United States. A U.S. government report suggests that regulators should revisit a 1986 decision that effectively exempts communications satellites from the U.S. National Environmental Policy Act. Megaconstellations can disrupt the radio frequencies used for astronomical observation and intensify congestion in orbit.

Question Corner

Modern birds

When did the mobile beak evolve in modern birds?

Fossilised fragments of a skeleton, hidden within a rock the size of a grapefruit, have helped upend one of the longest-standing assumptions about the origin of modern birds. Researchers from the University of Cambridge and the Natuurhistorisch Museum Maastricht found that one of the key skull features that characterises 99% of modern birds – a mobile beak – evolved before the mass extinction event that killed all large dinosaurs, 66 million years ago.

This finding also suggests that the skulls of ostriches, emus and also their relatives were evolved 'backwards', reverting to a more primitive condition after the modern birds arose.

For more than a century, it had been assumed that the mechanism enabling a mobile beak evolved after the extinction of the dinosaurs.

However, the new discovery (*Nature*), suggests that our understanding of how the modern bird skull came to be needs to be re-evaluated, says a release.

Readers may send their questions / answers to questioncorner@thehindu.co.in

Are rhino and elephant conservation efforts a success?

Why have alien invasive plant species become a bigger threat than poachers across rhino habitats in India and Nepal? Why are elephants on the endangered list?

Rahul Karmakar
Shiv Sahay Singh

The story so far:

Greens worldwide called the Kaziranga National Park the greatest conservation success story in 2005 when it completed a century. Much of it is attributed to a rhino protection force that shoots alleged poachers at sight; more than 55 armed men have been killed within the boundary of the 1,300 sq. km tiger reserve for unauthorised entry since 2012-13.

What is the rhino population?

The population of the one-horned rhino was about a dozen when Kaziranga became a protected area in 1905. According to the State of Rhino Report 2022, the poor-sighted herbivore's number in Kaziranga is an estimated 2,613, more than 65% of its total population of 4,014 across 11 habitats in India and Nepal. A decade ago, the rhino's population in these domains was 2,454. A section of conservationists say the focus is too much on the rhino but agree this has made other animals in its domains a beneficiary. The number of tigers, for instance, has increased in Assam at a rate higher than elsewhere in India. A 2010 count said Kaziranga has the highest density of tigers – 32.64 per 100 sq. km – in the world.

How have anti-poaching measures helped?

According to Assam-based rhino expert Bibhab Kumar Talukdar, the strengthening of the anti-poaching mechanism in India and Nepal with more manpower, capacity-building of frontline staff and equipping forest guards with better fighting gears have helped protect the rhino. The sentiments of local people attached to the rhino have also been a factor in the sharp drop in the number of rhinos killed, from 54 in 2013 and 2014 to one each in 2021 and 2022. The threat from poachers cannot be wished away because of the illegal wildlife trade in next-door Myanmar and beyond in Southeast Asia, he said. "While poaching remains a major threat to rhinos, alien invasive plant species grabbing key grassland habitats in rhino-bearing areas in the past decade has emerged as a bigger threat to the animal in India and Nepal," Mr. Talukdar, also a senior member of the Asian Rhino Specialist Group, said.

Are elephants endangered?

India is home to nearly 60% Asian elephants and the last count of the species in 2017 had put the number at 29,964. While the number of elephants in India has increased in the past few years, the species is listed as 'Endangered' on the IUCN Red List of threatened species and Schedule I of The Wildlife Protection Act.

What are the challenges?

The largest land-dwelling mammal is under continuous threat of poaching and conflict with humans. While incidents of poaching for ivory have come down, human-elephant conflict has been increasing. On an average, about 500 humans and 100 elephants are killed every year across the country in such confrontations. The elephant population is not evenly distributed in the country. The south Indian States of Karnataka, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh, and Tamil Nadu are home to nearly 44% of India's elephant population. Fragmentation of elephant habitats and construction of linear (railways and roads) and power infrastructure have led to many elephant deaths. The change of land use, particularly bringing erstwhile forested areas under agriculture, has aggravated the conflict. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change launched Project Elephant in 1992 to ensure the long-term survival of elephants in their natural habitats. The number of elephant reserves in India is 32 with the latest addition being the Agasthyamalai Elephant Reserve in 2022. Elephant corridors, linear narrow habitat linkages which allow elephants to move between secure habitats are crucial for conservation. So far, about 101 elephant corridors have been identified in the country which need to be secured for conservation of elephants.

Safe and thriving: A one-horned rhinoceros at the Kaziranga national park, in Assam on October 10. AP

Cheetahs and tigers: the saga of big cats in India

What are the challenges of reintroducing cheetahs in the country decades after extinction? How did the tiger population in the country increase? Are chances of human-animal conflict high?

Into the wild: A cheetah after being released inside the Kuno National Park in Madhya Pradesh on September 17. PTI

Jacob Koshy

The story so far:

This year marked the arrival of Namibian cheetahs to India, the first intercontinental transfer of wild cats into the country since independence. Eight cheetahs were flown into the Kuno National Park (KNP), Madhya Pradesh, from Namibia on September 17 as part of an ambitious project to reintroduce the big cat into the country. They were released into the quarantine zone at the KNP by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. In February, the government went public with a plan to import a cohort of animals that could live in India, setting up a task force to implement the programme.

Has the transfer been successful?

The cheetahs – five females and three males – were flown into India following several weeks of medical supervision in Namibia. They will be released into the wild gradually so that they have enough time to adapt to Indian conditions, are at reduced risk of contracting and spreading infection and have honed the skills to hunt Indian prey. The eight cheetahs were housed in six 'bomas' (enclosures) and initially provided with buffalo meat. So far, three of the animals have been released into a larger enclosure outside of the 'bomas' after two of them – Freddie and Elton – successfully killed chital for prey in November. The third animal, Oban, was also released mid-November and all the animals are expected to be moved inside larger enclosures in weeks. The cheetahs are radio-collared and their movements will be tracked. Each animal has a dedicated tracking team. A team of wildlife scientists, biologists, and Laurie Marker, a renowned zoologist and founder of the Cheetah Conservation Fund, is monitoring the initiative.

Why should cheetahs be outside of Africa?

Cheetahs were once widespread in India as well as in many parts of the world until they were hunted to extinction. Only India is home to the largest population of tigers in the world and this is a testament to the success of wildlife conservation programmes implemented for nearly 50 years

around 8,000 of them survive, and overwhelmingly in Namibia and South Africa. A different species, called the Asiatic cheetah, once abundant in India, is found in Iran. As part of improving their odds of long-term survival, young animals are being reared as part of conservation efforts in Namibia and then sent to different parts of the world, including India. While it is still early days for the cheetah, experts have raised concerns that the KNP has limited space for the cheetah to co-exist with other predators such as tigers and lions, for which the KNP was originally prepared.

What is the tiger population in India?

Every four years, India carries out a census of the tiger population across India. The latest estimate put the tiger population at 2,967. Tigers were reportedly increasing at a rate of about 6% per annum and the area that they occupied was roughly stable, at about 89,000 square km since 2014. These numbers are estimated using a sophisticated system that involves photographing animals via camera traps as well as mathematical analysis. In 2006, India had 1,411 tigers. This rose to 1,706 in 2010 and 2,226 in 2014 on the back of improved conservation measures and new estimation methods.

How did the numbers increase?

The consistent implementation of Project Tiger since 1973, whereby dedicated tiger reserves were established in India, as well as anti-poaching measures have played a significant role in tiger conservation. India has 53 tiger reserves with the latest being added early this year. However, rising tiger numbers have meant that nearly half the tigers are now outside designated protected zones that lead to increasing instances of human-animal conflict.

THE OTHER
OBITUARY

Remembering our dearest brother, the Saltwater Crocodile. Forest officials found him dead with plastic trash in his stomach on 29 November 2022. The brutal incident took place at his home in Bhitarkanika National Park. His presence will be deeply missed by his family.

In loving memory of Ms Mangrove Forest.

Mother to 180 wild children and a close friend of the ecosystem. Ms Mangrove was terminally ill since 10 March 2018. After 4 years of struggle, she said goodbye to her friends on 15 May 2022 in Sundarbans.

Ex-swimming champion and skilled hunter, Ms Bengal Monitor Lizard from the Varanus Bengalensis family passed away painfully on 14 April 2022 at 5 pm in South Maharashtra. Human beings killed and ate her, leaving us disturbed and deeply hurt.

Third Death Anniversary

Mr Australian Wallaby

Ms Australian Wallaby

Lil Joey Wallaby

Not even a single day passes without remembering you and your family who were killed in the mass poisoning of January 2019.

Prayers and love,
The Macropodidae Family

Our matriarch and weightlifting champion, **Nandini the Elephant**, said her last goodbye near Coimbatore railway station. She was hit by a train on 21 November 2022. Her death is an irreparable loss to our herd.

In fond memory of Ajoba the Leopard.

Born: 15 March 2000
Died: 03 December 2011
He walked 120 kms home only to get killed by a truck. The heavy vehicle was above speeding limits when Ajoba crossed its path. He will be deeply missed by his family and forest friends.

Smt. Great Indian Hornbill, beloved w/o of Sri. Great Indian Hornbill and mother of two adorable chicks, was murdered on 18 June 2022. The Bucerotidae family deeply mourns her death.

His laughs still ring in our ears.

Announcing the sad demise of our friend Mr Hyena whose natural habitat was seized. Our sincere prayers to his family members.

Remembering the mysterious death of our Baby Bee. He left us for good on 15 June 2019. The Apidae family fondly remembers his buzzing charm, and persona. They miss him dearly.

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Protecting the Great Indian Bustard

Why has the Supreme Court sought an initiative like Project Tiger to save the critically endangered bird? How are power transmission lines a great threat to the species?

Shiv Sahay Singh

The story so far:

On November 30, the Supreme Court asked the Government, whether a focussed approach, something like Project Tiger, can be taken up for saving the critically endangered Great Indian Bustard (GIB).

What is endangering the birds?

Hearing petitions highlighting deaths of the GIBs due to power transmission lines, a special bench of the apex court led by Chief Justice D.Y. Chandrachud directed Chief Secretaries of Gujarat and Rajasthan to undertake and complete a comprehensive exercise within four weeks to find out the total length of transmission lines in question and the number of bird diverters required. This is not the first time that the Supreme Court had intervened in the conservation of the GIB. In an earlier order in April 2021, the Supreme Court had directed the authorities to convert the overhead cables into underground power lines, (where feasible) within a period of one year and that till such time diverters would have to be hung from existing power lines.

Why do power lines pose a threat?

There are several threats that have led to the decline of the GIB populations; however, power lines seem to be the most significant. There have been studies in different parts of the world where bustard populations have shown high mortality because of power lines such as Denham's bustards in South Africa and the Great Bustard in Spain. Like other species of bustards, the GIBs are large birds standing about one metre tall and weighing about 15 to 18 kgs. The GIBs are not great fliers and have wide sideways vision to maximise predator detection but the species' frontal vision is narrow. These birds cannot detect power lines from far and since they are heavy fliers, they fail to manoeuvre across power lines within close distances. The combination of these traits makes them vulnerable to collision with power lines. In most cases, death is due to collision rather than electrocution. A study by the Wildlife Institute of India (WII) in 2020 recorded six cases of GIB mortality due to power-line collisions in Thar from 2017-20.

> The Great Indian Bustard's frontal vision is poor and it often collides with overhead power lines, leading to death

What steps have been taken?

Listed in Schedule I of the Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, in Appendix I of CITES, as Critically Endangered on the IUCN Red List, the GIBs enjoy the highest protection both in India and globally. The earliest estimates show the population was about 1,260 in 1969, but has declined by 75% in the last 30 years.

Historically, the GIB population was distributed among 11 States in western India but today the population is confined mostly to Rajasthan and Gujarat. Small populations are found in Maharashtra, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh. The overall population of the GIB totals 150 across the country, which includes about 128 birds in Rajasthan. Along with the attempts to mitigate impacts of power transmission lines on the GIB, steps have been taken for conservation breeding of the species. A total of 16 GIB chicks, artificially hatched from eggs collected from the wild, are being reared in the satellite conservation breeding facility at Sam in Jaisalmer, Rajasthan. The objective of 'Habitat Improvement and Conservation Breeding of Great Indian Bustard-an integrated approach' is to build the captive population of the GIBs and to release the chicks in the wild. The initiative is likely to take 20 to 25 years. Experts, including scientists from the WII, have called for removing all overhead powerlines passing through the GIB priority/critical areas in Rajasthan; the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change too has constituted a task force. Questions, however, are being raised on the slow pace of implementation.

Are there other threats to the GIB?

According to scientists, the GIBs are slow breeders and they build their nests on the ground. The species have also been subjected to hunting and egg collection in the past. There also has been a decline in prevailing habitat loss as dry grasslands have been diverted for other use. Experts also warn of pesticide contamination and increase of populations of free-ranging dogs and pigs along with native predators, putting pressure on nests and chicks. While most of the population of the species is confined to the Jaisalmer Desert National Park (DNP), wildlife enthusiasts believe that more areas outside the protected area must be made suitable for the species. A conservation effort like 'Project Tiger' may not work for a large bird of an arid region that can always fly out of the protected area. Experts are calling for community-centric conservation of the species.

The master of ceremonies

Gianni Infantino

Once seen as a reserve captain navigating the stormy waters at the world's most powerful sporting body, the FIFA chief has now dropped anchor fully and is sailing ahead with his expansionist agenda

N. Sudarshan

In the summer of 2015, when world football's governing body FIFA was embroiled in a series of explosive corruption scandals with president Sepp Blatter at the helm, Gianni Infantino was leading a rather charmed life as general secretary of UEFA, European football's leading organisation.

The Swiss was more widely known as the man who conducted the draw ceremonies of various UEFA competitions, including the crown jewel among club events, the Champions League. Where FIFA can often mimic the raucous atmosphere that's seen at pre-bout weigh-ins, Infantino's role required him to present a flat yet genial face without eliciting from the audience the usual gasps and whoops.

In less than a year, however, Infantino, after a series of dramatic events, rose to become the president of FIFA. Blatter, who had resigned for presiding over a dishonest structure but was in charge on an interim basis, and Michel Platini, the then UEFA president who was expected to succeed Blatter, were both banned because of corruption allegations. The stoic master of ceremonies was now in a position to smilingly stare down the world.

It is perhaps this technocratic image of Infantino, his sophisticated demeanour and fluency in as many as five languages (English, German, French, Italian and Spanish) that landed him arguably the most powerful post in all of sport.

A few months earlier, Swiss police had raided FIFA officials over corruption charges and an investigation was launched into the controversial allotment of the 2018 and 2022 World Cup hosting rights to Russia and Qatar, respectively. The bribes and kickbacks were alleged to be worth more than $150 million, forming a part of an international investigation spanning three decades.

In the years since, more than half of the 22-member executive committee that had decided the World Cup hosts for 2018 and 2022 have been discredited for getting mired in financial irregularities of varying degrees. Infantino was considered enough of an outsider to not have his hands sullied by these misconducts, and enough of an insider with the knowhow to run giant sports governing bodies, who could clean up the mess.

A lawyer and a career sports administrator, Infantino was also not the stereotypical FIFA president – there have only been two fulltime heads in the four decades before Infantino – possessing Machiavellian traits that are essential to play the politics of patronage that's commonplace in most global sporting institutions.

In fact, at a campaign event in 2016 ahead of the FIFA election, he said he would unveil a plan for his first 90 days in the hot seat. "Why 90 days?" he said. "A politician usually takes 100 days, but I'm not a politician."

Not an agent of change

But the FIFA president's role is not like that of a goalkeeper, who is most effective when least conspicuous. Infantino may have used all the right words, like transparency and good governance, and may not have yet displayed the all consuming desire to wield the extreme power that comes with being the president, but no longer is he seen as the agent of change he promised to be.

Two things aid this status-quo. The structure of FIFA is such that each of the 211 member nations have a vote, regardless of how big or small a footballing nation they are, leaving the door open for officials to game the system.

Ahead of his 2016 election, a report in the *Guardian* revealed that he had promised each of the member nations $5m over four years and each of six continental federations were to be paid $40m.

Though this is a legitimate developmental corpus that has aided football activities in many nations, there were past instances of this fund being weaponised. And there is an increasing trend of sports administrators, who have come to resemble marketing professionals dabbling in sport on the side, having links with big capital and authoritarian governments.

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Under Infantino, FIFA's ideas have been expansionist, some of those with good reason. Like he had at UEFA when the Euros went from 16 teams to 24, he has overseen an increase in the size of the World Cup from the current 32 teams to 48 (2026 onwards), nearly doubling the number of places for Asia and Africa.

The rousing performances from the nations of these two continents at the ongoing tournament in Qatar lend credence to the argument that there is much untapped potential in the developing world and the global showpiece of the sport should reflect that.

However, the 52-year-old's other pet projects such as a biennial World Cup and an expanded Club World Cup that is held every four years in addition to the annual championship seem clear money-making exercises that can remake the international calendar, falling afoul of continental bodies, including those from Europe and South America. The latter event was even awarded to China for 2021 before being cancelled because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Four years ago, Infantino tried to strike a $25 billion deal with Japanese conglomerate SoftBank to pledge some of FIFA's assets and use the money to create new club and national team competitions, ostensibly to increase sponsorship revenue and money from broadcast deals.

Breakaway league

Most recently in 2021, he remained silent, until the very end, even as a bunch of super-rich clubs in Europe sought to create a closed-door breakaway league, threatening the very foundations of the game, much to the chagrin of UEFA. European nations saw Infantino's conduct as a sign that he wanted to diminish them and increase his popularity in the developing world, much like how Blatter had done during his 17-year reign. Against this backdrop, Infantino's statement ahead of the current World Cup that critics should not be handing "moral lessons" in light of allegations of large-scale human rights violations in Qatar, and that Europeans should be apologising "for the next 3,000 years" for their earlier actions (a reference to their imperialist past) was not lost on anyone.

Yet, in the absence of any reports of financial impropriety since he took over and his efforts in leading FIFA out of its most serious crisis till date, Infantino remains popular. There has at best been a shuffling of his support base; he has managed to rankle and distance old friends – he worked at UEFA for nearly two decades – while finding new allies along the way.

So much so that news emerged last month that he would be re-elected unopposed for a third term at the 73rd FIFA Congress in Kigali, Rwanda, next year. Once seen as a reserve captain navigating the stormy FIFA sea, Infantino has dropped anchor fully.

THE GIST

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Speaking for the minority

Hakeem Jeffries

A self-described 'Black progressive Democrat', the House minority leader keeps his party closely knit while taking on aggressive political rivals

Narayan Lakshman

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With the closest contests of the U.S. midterm elections almost behind them – barring the Georgia Senate run-off on December 6 – there is a palpable sense of relief among Democrats, who managed to cling on to the upper house even if they lost the House to the Republicans. With the Senate and White House under their control, a minimum level of progress with their policy agenda is realistically possible.

Yet, Democrats will be watching the lower house closely for adversarial moves designed to discredit the administration of Joe Biden and stall the work of his government on Capitol Hill. This week, they picked the man who would take the fight to the Republicans in the House, and that was New York Congressman Hakeem Jeffries, 52. As Minority Leader, and the first African American to hold that post, Mr. Jeffries steps into the pantheon of Democratic leadership after his predecessor, current Speaker Nancy Pelosi, said she would be stepping down.

So, who is Mr. Jeffries?

Born in 1970 in Brooklyn, New York, Mr. Jeffries is the son of a social worker and family welfare counsellor. After attending several state schools, he opted to study political science at the State University of New York, Binghamton. Reports say that during his final year at university, he was inspired to enter politics after the acquittal of the police officers who beat African American Rodney King, following which there was widespread rioting in Los Angeles. Nevertheless, post law school, Mr. Jeffries signed up to work with one of New York's top law firms and then went on to serve as an in-house litigator for CBS and Viacom.

Political entry

After two fruitless attempts to enter the New York state legislature, he struck gold in 2006 and held on to the seat for six years. At the time he said he was motivated by a desire to "advance the ball for everyday Americans."

While that aphorism is a hallmark of the Democratic ethos, the ground reality is that the party today is riven by factionalism and whether in the House or Senate, it would be a balancing act for any Democratic leader to hold the flock together to perform an effective legislative function in Congress.

To that extent, Mr. Jeffries perhaps has some cause for cheer. A self-described "Black progressive Democrat," he is considered a moderate who does not eschew ties to corporate America like the left wing of the party does.

Yet, his image as a "big tent" Democrat will serve him well as he takes on the likes of Kevin McCarthy, the Republican who hopes to become the Speaker of the House. In fact, he is well attuned to throwing down the gauntlet to the Republican leadership already – Mr. Jeffries was thrust into the limelight when, in 2020, Ms. Pelosi picked him as one of seven managers who served as prosecutors in erstwhile President Donald Trump's impeachment trial.

It is precisely this skill set – the ability to keep his party closely knit while taking on aggressive political rivals in the House – that Mr. Jeffries will require through the 118th Congress that begins in early January. His eyes will be fixed firmly on one target alone – securing 218 seats in the House in the 2024 general election.

To achieve this, his task will be two-fold. Firstly, he will have to negate the likely acerbic discourse on the Biden administration by the House Republican majority, including corruption investigations of Mr. Biden's son, Hunter, and attacks on the performance of the Biden White House in stabilising the economy and asserting American power globally in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic and the Russian invasion of Ukraine. Second, Mr. Jeffries will have to advocate with ever-greater persistence for the Democratic vision for accelerating the American Dream, which means getting Democrats on Capitol Hill to speak with one voice on critical issues that matter to the ordinary American, including inflation and jobs, immigration, crime, reproductive rights, public health and more.

Stepping out of the shadows

Hina Rabbani Khar

The Pakistani politician became the first female Minister to visit Afghanistan since the Islamist Taliban captured Kabul last year

Suhasini Haidar

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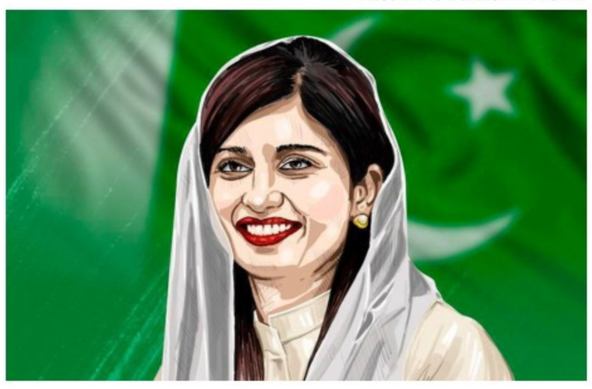

Twenty years into her political career, and 10 years after she became Pakistan's first female Foreign Minister, Hina Rabbani Khar, now Minister of State for Foreign Affairs in Pakistan, still generates comment for what she wears. Last week, it was the importance of her attire that took social media by storm again, when she met with the Taliban's top leadership during a visit to Kabul, the first by any female Minister since the ultra conservative radical militants took power in August 2021.

Instead of wearing the hijabs and burkhas mandated by the Taliban for Afghan women, the image of Ms. Khar dressed in her signature monochrome salwar kameez with a *dupatta* or scarf loosely covering her head, and looking the Taliban's acting Foreign Minister Amir Khan Muttaqi squarely in the eyes as she sat as the sole woman in a room full of men, won favour back home in Pakistan.

Optics of the meeting

The optics of the event were as important for the Taliban as they were for Ms. Khar, however, as the regime has still not been recognised by any country in the world, and has broken every promise it has made over the status of women in Afghanistan. Since last August, Taliban decrees have kept millions of young Afghan girls out of schools and colleges, forced most women working in government, banks and other institutions out of jobs, enforced strict dress codes that cover women entirely, and most recently banned them from parks, gyms and any other public recreation.

While Ms. Khar's visit didn't achieve any relief for Afghan women, it did allow Taliban Ministers to be seen welcoming a woman leader. The Kabul visit is just one of a number of visits made by Ms. Khar where her style is often seen overshadowing the substance. But she has made a reputation for being effective.

For all her political flair, she came to politics by fluke – she was chosen to run in place of her father, feudal politician Ghulam Noor Rabbani Khar, in the 2002 elections, held under General Pervez Musharraf, when politicians without a university degree were disqualified.

Then less than 25 years old, Ms. Khar was a graduate in Economics from the prestigious Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS) and a Master's degree holder in hospitality management in the U.S. In Pakistan, she and her businessman husband set up a restaurant called 'Polo Lounge'.

While there has been no question that Ms. Khar owes her political career to her family background, she has been no wallflower when in office. As Pakistan's Foreign Minister in 2011, she famously came to Delhi to meet with Indian Minister of External Affairs S.M. Krishna in the first such visit since the Mumbai 26/11 attacks, and later met with Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov in a visit aimed at secretly building a new Russia-Pakistan dialogue that grew in response to better India-U.S. ties.

In both cases, Ms. Khar held her own with politicians whose political careers were longer than her years, although, expectedly, much of the media comment focused on her designer 'Birkin' bags and Cavalli glasses.

In her current role as Minister of State in Shehbaz Sharif's coalition Cabinet, she has accepted a demotion to make way for Bilawal Bhutto Zardari, 11 years her junior, who was elected to the National Assembly only four years ago.

FATF task

Her big assignment this year, to represent Pakistan at the Financial Action Task Force's meetings that evaluated its moves to counter terror financing and money laundering, earned her a feather in her cap as Pakistan was taken off the "greylist".

It remains to be seen whether Ms. Khar, whose twitter-bio describes her as an "incorrigible optimist" and a "strong believer in Regional Peace", will be sent to India in the next few months for what could be another tough assignment, as Pakistan is set to join meetings under India's Presidency of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation.

INBRIEF

Travel tech firm OYO to trim 3,700-staff base, cut 600 jobs

IPO-bound travel tech firm OYO said it will trim about 10% of its 3,700-employee base by cutting 600 jobs in the technology and corporate verticals and hiring 250 members. The move is part of implementing wide-ranging changes in organisational structure. It is reducing product and engineering, corporate headquarters and OYO Vacation Homes teams and adding people to the partner-relationship management and business development teams. PTI

'Bengaluru office rentals may grow most in APAC in 2023'

Office rentals in Bengaluru are expected to grow by 5-7% – the highest in the Asia-Pacific (APAC) region – during the next year, according to Knight Frank India. In its latest report titled 'Asia-Pacific Outlook 2023,' property consultant Knight Frank attributed the expected growth in office rentals to a comparatively strong economic outlook, potentially increased outsourcing from the West on account of cost constraints and the rupee's depreciation. PTI

Fintechs replacing banks is a misconception: RBI's Sankar

Speculation around fintechs replacing banks is a 'misconception,' but lenders need to be more diligent in adopting technological changes, Reserve Bank Deputy Governor T. Rabi Sankar said on Saturday. Exuding confidence that the banks will be able to embrace technology, he also enlisted a few missed opportunities of the past and also ones which showed their 'resistance' to change. "Banks are here to stay, but banking is mutating fast," Mr. Sankar said, addressing an event organised by the IBA here. PTI

Telecom imports under lens as makers flag Chinese gear

Minister meets with 40 CEOs of telecom gear makers under PLI scheme; equipment makers raise concerns around import of network gear from China routed via other neighbouring nations

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The government will devise a methodology to check imports from neighbouring nations that are non-compliant with trusted source rules of the telecom sector, Minister for Communications and IT Ashwini Vaishnaw said on Saturday.

The Minister met with more than 40 CEOs of telecom gear makers that have qualified for the production linked incentive scheme; and has decided to set up 4-5 task forces to provide market support to them as well as streamline their business for value addition in the economy.

Equipment makers expressed concern around the import of network gear from China, which is being routed via other neighbouring countries. The Minister said, "This issue was discussed. Representatives from customs department, Finance Ministry and other Ministries... work will be done on it to devise how to check it in a methodical manner." The Minister said firms under the telecom PLI are close to starting export of equipment and that India would become an exporting nation very soon.

"During the meeting, many new ideas came, for which we have set up 5-6 task forces. A task force has been set up for creating the component ecosystem. Another task force has been set up for developing 4-5 chips, then taking those chips from design to production. A third task force has been set up to develop highly skilled workers, designers in the telecom sector," he said.

He said companies had sought support in testing and certification to enable exports, for which another task force has been set up to optimise the use of test beds in IIT Madras's Telecom Engineering Centre.

Pharma sector will touch $130 bn by 2030: Pharmexcil

The Hindu Bureau
MUMBAI

Executives said govt. should set up a separate Pharma Ministry to help spur domestic production

India's pharmaceutical industry is expected to grow at a compound annual rate of 12% and reach $130 billion by 2030, industry executives said at an event.

"There is a strong push from the government towards creating an ecosystem for innovation so that India can become a leader in discovery of drugs and medical technology," said S.V. Veeramani, vice-chairman, Pharmexcil.

"Currently, the Indian pharmaceutical market is valued at around $50 billion, out of which almost $25 billion constitutes the export market. The domestic market will touch $130 billion by 2030 out of which over 60% will only be exports," Mr. Veeramani added. Industry executives said the government should set up a separate Ministry for the sector to encourage domestic producers and help bring down Chinese imports.

They also mulled a single organisation to facilitate presenting industry's grievances to government.

"Industry needs to collaborate... for a collective voice on IPR related issues," said Vivek Singhal, director general of the Organisation of Pharmaceutical Producers of India.

'Russian oil revenues could brave EU ban, G7 price cap'

Reuters
MOSCOW

Russian oil output could fall by 5,00,000 to 1 million barrels per day (bpd) early in 2023 after the EU imposes a ban on seaborne imports from Monday, two sources at major Russian producers said.

The estimate is at the lower end of market analysts' forecasts of the combined impact of the ban and a proposed price cap on Russian oil, although the sources said the true level would depend on several factors.

They requested anonymity to discuss sensitive market dynamics linked to the conflict in Ukraine.

Alexei Kokin of Otkritie brokerage agreed with the assessment of the likely impact of Western measures on Russian output.

"It's roughly the same as the volume of seaborne supplies to the EU in recent weeks," he said. "I don't think they (Russian producers) will be able to divert that elsewhere."

The West wants to squeeze Russia's ability to fund the conflict.

Exports of crude, gas

and oil products account for the bulk of Russia's revenues, which have stayed high as disruption to output and sales following sanctions has been offset by high global prices.

Russia's revenues from oil and gas jumped by over a third in the first 10 months of the year.

The EU, its biggest buyer, cut purchases in response to the conflict, but Moscow successfully diverted supply to Asia and exports slid only slightly.

Volume-price equation

The more Russian oil that is lost to world markets, the greater the likely impact on prices. That could benefit Moscow and other major exporters and penalise consumers in the West who already face the highest inflation in decades, largely because of energy costs.

"Even if the drop in exports is greater than expected, the impact on the budget is offset by the rise in prices, so budget revenues are unlikely to suffer significantly," Igor Galaktionov of BCS Mir Investitsiy brokerage said.

EU members agreed this week to a price cap of $60 per barrel of Russian oil, with an adjustment mechanism to keep the ceiling 5% below market values.

"If the price cap is around $60 per barrel, Russia will continue to export its oil comfortably," said Alexei Gromov of the Institute for Energy and Finance Foundation.

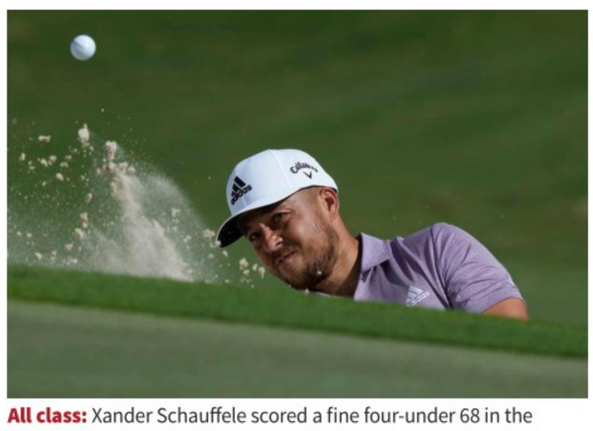
Exchange rate factor

Revenues are determined not just by the outright price of Russian crude but by the exchange rate at the time of sale.

Russia's assumptions for next year's budget are for Russian oil to average $70.1 per barrel and an average exchange rate of 68.3 roubles per dollar. That compares with today's levels of about $65 and 61-62 roubles respectively.

Sport

Schauffele, Scheffler move within one shot of Hovland



All class: Xander Schauffele scored a fine four-under 68 in the second round. AP

Ashwin Achal
NASSAU

On a day when strong winds made scoring difficult, Xander Schauffele and Scottie Scheffler showed their class with fine four-under 68 second rounds in the Hero World Challenge here.

Schauffele and Scheffler moved within one shot of leader Viktor Hovland, who carded a two-under 70.

Scheffler made a surge on the back-nine, recording birdies on the 11th, 13th, 14th and 15th holes.

Collin Morikawa (71, 69) and Cameron Young (71, 69) stayed in the hunt, joining Schauffele and Scheffler in second place.

The shot of the day belonged to Hovland. The Norwegian slam-dunked an eagle with a pitching wedge from just under 85 yards on the sixth hole. When the ball dropped in, a surprised Hovland held his hands on his hips and looked around in disbelief.

"It's kind of strange. I knew it was windy and I feel like I missed so many putts. And I still don't feel like I'm hitting it very good. I'm not comfortable over the ball, but the ball is going straight and I'm giving myself looks," Hovland said.

South Korean Tom Kim, who made a bogey-free first round, carded an even par 72. Kim lies sole sixth, one shot ahead of Justin Thomas.

Coming off the course, Kim scrolled his phone for the FIFA World Cup football results involving his home nation.

"It was tough out there today - the wind was really blowing. I was playing well. It wasn't the finish that I wanted, but even par on the PGA Tour, and you don't drop that many spots. You're only a few spots back – that's a good sign," Kim said.

(The writer is in Nassau on invitation from Hero MotoCorp)

Artemis Inganica should win the Golconda 1000 Guineas

HYDERABAD: The 3-year-old filly Artemis Inganica, who hails from trainer Neil Darashah's yard, should win the Golconda 1000 Guineas, the first classic of the Hyderabad winter season at the races to be held here on Sunday (Dec. 4).

1 HARIDWAR PLATE (2,000m), rated 40 to 65 (Cat. II) – 1.10 p.m.: 1. N R I Superpower (6) Akshay Kumar 60, 2. Princess Daka (3) Antony Raj 58, 3. Nightmare (4) G. Naresh 56.5, 4. Just Incredible (7) Aneel 56, 5. Advance Guard (2) P. Ajeeth Kumar 54.5, 6. Yesterday (5) Surya Prakash 54.5 and 7. Dream Station (1) Abhay Singh 54.

1. N R I SUPERPOWER, 2. PRINCESS DAKA, 3. DREAM STATION

2 ZURBARAN PLATE (1,200m), (Terms) Maiden, 2-y-o only (Cat. II) - 1.45: 1. Lucky Zone (4) P. Ajeeth Kumar 56, 2. Shadow Of The Moon (9) D.S. Deora 56, 3. Splendour On Grass (1) Koushik 56, 4. That's My Love (2) Mohit Singh 56, 5. Bold Beauty (5) Santosh Raj 54.5, 6. Calista Girl (3) B. Nikhil 54.5, 7. Flashing Memories (6) Gaurav Singh 54.5, 8. Proud Girl (8) Md. Ismail 54.5 and 9. Windsor (7) Akshay Kumar 54.5.

1. WINDSOR, 2. PROUD GIRL, 3. SHADOW OF THE MOON

3 K.R. ARVIND REDDY MEMORIAL CUP (1,200m), rated 40 to 65 (Cat. II) – 2.15: 1. AYR (10) Mukesh Kumar 60, 2. Exotic Dancer (8) A.A. Vikrant 57, 3. Malaala (7) D.S. Deora 56.5, 4. Dyanoosh (6) P. Ajeeth Kumar 56, 5. Hard To Toss (4) Santosh Raj 56, 6. Gregor Clegane (3) Aneel 55, 7. Kancha (11) Akshay Kumar 54.5, 8. Nugget (5) P.S. Chouhan 53.5, 9. Sally (1) G. Naresh 53.5, 10. Costello (2) Vivek G 53 and 11. Southern Act (9) Abhay Singh 53.

1. KANCHA, 2. NUGGET, 3. MALAALA

4 ARDENT KNIGHT PLATE (DIV. I) (1,200m), rated 20 to 45 (Cat. III) – 2.45: 1. Barbet (9) B. Nikhil 60.5, 2. Miss Marvellous (7) B.R. Kumar 60.5, 3. Thanks (5) P. Ajeeth Kumar 60, 4. Star Medal (10) Afroz Khan 57.5, 5. Silk (8) Koushik 56, 6. Horse O' War (4) Rafique Sk. 55.5, 7. Apex Star (6) Santosh Raj 53, 8. Hot Seat (2) Mohit Singh 53, 9. Cape Town (3) D.S. Deora 51.5, 10. Siri (1) Md. Ismail 51 and 11. My Way Or Highway (11) Abhay Singh 50.

1. THANKS, 2. BARBET, 3. STAR MEDAL

5 DODLA PRATAP CHANDER REDDY MEMORIAL MILLION (1,200m), (Terms) Maiden, 2-y-o only – 3.15: 1. Commanding Knight (4) Santosh Raj 56, 2. Encore (3) Gaurav Singh 56, 3. Hemping Vazra (6) Mukesh Kumar 56, 4. High Command (1) P.S. Chouhan 56, 5. Rising Tycoon (2) Antony Raj 56, 6. Armoury (5) Suraj Narredu 54.5 and 7. She Can (7) Akshay Kumar 54.5.

1. HIGH COMMAND, 2. SHE CAN, 3. ARMOURY

6 AIR COMMAND CUP (1,600m), rated 20 to 45 (Cat. III) – 3.45: 1. Bangor On Dee (6) Afroz Khan 60, 2. Starwalt (7) P.S. Chouhan 59.5, 3. Hoping Cloud (1) Mohit Singh 58, 4. City Cruise (2) R.S. Jodha 57, 5. Special And Thong (3) B. Nikhil 54.5, 6. Alpine Girl (4) Santosh Raj 54, 7. Amalfitana (5) P. Ajeeth Kumar 52.5 and 8. Sorry Darling (8) Rafique Sk. 52.5.

1. BANGOR ON DEE, 2. STARWALT, 3. HOPING CLOUD

7 GOLCONDA 1000 GUINEAS (Gr. 2) (1,600m), (Terms) Fillies, 3-y-o only – 4.15: 1. Arrowette (6) R.N. Darshan 57, 2. Artemis Ignacia (3) P.S. Chouhan 57, 3. Ballerina (4) Mukesh Kumar 57, 4. Elusive (2) Akshay Kumar 57, 5. Queen Envied (5) Antony Raj 57 and 6. Tiger Mountain (1) Suraj Narredu 57.

1. ARTEMIS IGNACIA, 2. QUEEN ENVIED

8 ARDENT KNIGHT PLATE (DIV. II) (1,200m), rated 20 to 45 (Cat. III) – 4.45: 1. Crimson Rose (5) Akshay Kumar 60.5, 2. Bellagio (9) Mukesh Kumar 60, 3. Cabello (2) Koushik 58, 4. Divine Connection (7) R.S. Jodha 57, 5. Blue Brigade (8) Rafique Sk. 55.5, 6. Star Cruise (10) Aneel 53.5, 7. Burgundy Black (3) D.S. Deora 53, 8. Ilango (1) Santosh Raj 51, 9. Life Is Good (6) Md. Ismail 51 and 10. Master Touch (4) Surya Prakash 51.

1. CRIMSON ROSE, 2. BELLAGIO, 3. STAR CRUISE

Day's Best: **CRIMSON ROSE**

Jackpot: 3, 4, 6, 7 & 8.

Mini Jackpot: (i) 2, 3, 4 & 5. (ii) 5, 6, 7 & 8.

Treble: (i) 1, 2 & 3, (ii) 4, 5 & 6, (iii) 6, 7 & 8.

Tanala: All races.

De Villiers claims Madras Race Club Cup

BENGALURU: S. Attaollahi-trained De Villiers (Shreyas Singh up) won the Madras Race Club Cup, the feature event of the races held here on Saturday (Dec. 3). The winner is owned by Mr. Marthand Singh Mahindra, Mrs. Rina Mahindra, Mr. Rama Seshu Eyunni and Mr. P. Prabhakar Reddy. Jockey Likith Appu and trainer S. Attaollahi won three races respectively on the day.

THE RESULTS:

1. GODAVARI PLATE (1,400m), rated 00 to 25: **MEGA SUCCESS** (Jagadeesh) 1, Art Power (R. Manjunath) 2, Memorable Time (P. Siddaraju) 3 and Regal Force (Arshad) 4. 3/4, 3/4 and Shd. 1m 27.93s. ₹24 (w), 12, 25 and 26 (p), SHP: 56, THP: 65, FP: 178, Q: 154, Trinella: 637 and 297, Exacta: 1,800 and 736. Favourite: Mega Success. Owner and trainer: Mr. S. Inayathulla.

2. UDUPI PLATE (Div. II), (1,200m), rated 20 to 45, 4-y-o & over: **FLYING QUEST** (Likith Appu) 1, Jokshan (Rayan) 2, Domina (Vinod Shinde) 3 and Anne Boleyn (Tousif) 4. Not run: Gunmaster. 1-1/2, 5 and 1-1/4. 1m 13.36s. ₹19 (w), 12, 19 and 17 (p), SHP: 54, THP: 46, FP: 128, Q: 139, Trinella: 651 and 216, Exacta: 5,991 and 2,567. Favourite: Flying Quest. Owner and trainer: Mr. Mahmood Khan.

3. BEGINNERS PLATE (1,200m), maiden 2-y-o only, (Terms): **KNOTTY CHARMER** (Nazerul) 1, Anzac Pipernal (Trevor) 2, Saigon (Darshan) 3 and Double Scotch (Neeraj) 4. 3-1/4, 5-3/4 and 1-3/4. 1m 12.69s. ₹58 (w), 17 and 11 (p), SHP: 40, THP: 33, FP: 140, Q: 33, Trinella: 557 and 261, Exacta: 687 and 200. Favourite: Anzac Pipernal. Owners: Mr. K. Kamesh, Mr. Srikanth Badruka, Mr. N. Swaroop Kumar and Mr. K. Balamukunda Das. Trainer: Prasanna Kumar.

4. WORLD CONSERVATION DAY PLATE (Div. II), (1,400m), rated 20 to 45: **SILVER CANYON** (Trevor) 1, Balor (R. Ajinkya) 2, Nikolina (A. Qureshi) 3 and Listen To Me (Neeraj) 4. 4-3/4, 2-1/2 and 3-1/2. 1m 24.72s. ₹51 (w), 17, 13 and 14 (p), SHP: 39, THP: 53, FP: 212, Q: 96, Trinella: 264 and 97, Exacta: 622 and 427. Favourite: Nikolina. Owners: Poonawalla Racing & Breeding Pvt Ltd rep by. Mr. Zavaray S. Poonawalla, Mrs. Behroze Z. Poonawalla, Mr. Yohan Z. Poonawalla, Mrs. Michelle Y. Poonawalla, Ms. Delna Z. Poonawalla, Mrs. Simone Poonawalla Pandole and Mr. Rishad N. Pandole & Mr. Chadduranga Kantharaj U. Trainer: S. Attaollahi.

5. ALYDAR PLATE (1,400m), rated 40 to 65, 4-y-o & over: **MOON'S BLESSING** (Likith Appu) 1, Etosha (Zervan) 2, Only You (Md. Akram) 3 and Memoriter (P. Surya) 4. 1, 2-1/2 and 1/2. 1m 25.05s. ₹14 (w), 10, 15 and 23 (p), SHP: 22, THP: 50, FP: 24, Q: 25, Trinella: 130 and 64, Exacta: 1,037 and 526. Favourite: Moon's Blessing. Owner: Sarainaga Racing Pvt Ltd. Trainer: S. Attaollahi.

6. MADRAS RACE CLUB CUP (1,200m), rated 60 to 85: **DE VILLIERS** (Shreyas S) 1, Star Glory (Vinod Shinde) 2, Kensington Court (Trevor) 3 and Aztec Queen (B.L. Paswan) 4. 1-1/4, Hd and Lnk. 1m 11.81s. ₹49 (w), 13, 16 and 13 (p), SHP: 42, THP: 45, FP: 453, Q: 362, Trinella: 872 and 276, Exacta: 25,636. Favourite: Kensington Court. Owners: Mr. Marthand Singh Mahindra, Mrs. Rina Mahindra, Mr. Rama Seshu Eyunni and Mr. P. Prabhakar Reddy. Trainer: S. Attaollahi.

7. WORLD CONSERVATION DAY PLATE (Div. I), (1,400m), rated 20 to 45: **PINNACLE POINT** (Trevor) 1, Kings Speech (Indrajeet S) 2, Twilight Tornado (L.A. Rozario) 3 and Golden Time (Adarsh) 4. 1-1/2, Snk and 1-1/4. 1m 26.15s. ₹40 (w), 15, 14 and 14 (p), SHP: 38, THP: 43, FP: 154, Q: 109, Trinella: 883 and 313, Exacta: 4,137 and 8,275. Favourite: Twilight Tornado. Owners: Rajagiri Rubber Co. Ltd rep by. Mr & Mrs. Dilip Thomas & Vinayaka Breeders Pvt Ltd rep by. Mr. D. Pritham Basappa. Trainer Arjun Mangalorkar.

8. UDUPI PLATE (Div. I), (1,200m), rated 20 to 45, 4-y-o & over: **COOL RIDER** (Likith Appu) 1, Starry Wind (Md. Akram) 2, Clever Hans (L.A. Rozario) 3 and Chul Bul Rani (Syed Imran) 4. 2-3/4, Shd and 1-3/4. 1m 12.60s. ₹18 (w), 10, 25 and 17 (p), SHP: 72, THP: 44, FP: 186, Q: 94, Trinella: 458 and 202, Exacta: 4,521 and 3,875. Favourite: Cool Rider. Owners: Manjri Horse Breed Farm Pvt Ltd, M/s. DT Racing & Breeding LLP, Mr. Mukul A. Sonawala and Mr. Anjan Kumar Rangaraj. Trainer: Neil Darashah.

Jackpot: ₹2,327 (33 tkts); Runner-up: ₹539 (61 tkts); Treble (i): ₹916 (nine tkts); (ii): ₹299 (42 tkts).

Petratos strike seals it for ATK against BFC

Roadblock: Bengaluru FC tried its best but failed to find a way past ATK MB goalkeeper Vishal Kaith. K. MURALI KUMAR

N. Sudarshan
BENGALURU

Bengaluru FC's joy of snapping a winless run last week was short-lived as it fell back into the rut with a 1-0 defeat at the hands of ATK Mohun Bagan on Saturday.

Australian Dimitrios Petratos scored the winner in the 66th minute to hand the Kolkata side its fifth win of the season and keep it fourth in the table. For Simon Grayson's BFC, it was a fifth loss from eight games as it remained rooted to ninth.

Substitute N. Sivasakthi could have snatched a point late on, but his shot from close range after receiving a splendid ball from Javi Hernandez clattered off the bar.

The football, for much of the evening, was evenly contested. Sunil Chhetri returned to the starting XI as a sizeable crowd chose to liven up the Sree Kanteerava Stadium over watching a World Cup knock-out game between the Netherlands and USA on television. The home side should have taken the lead as early as the fifth minute when a mispass from the ATK MB defence gave Hernandez a golden opportunity. But, with just the 'keeper to beat, the Spaniard fluffed the chance.

Killer touch missing

After the break, BFC displayed some good build-up play but couldn't find the killer touch in the final third. Juan Ferrando's men duly capitalised.

Ashique Kuruniyan, formerly of BFC, recovered possession quickly and initiated the move that resulted in Petratos' splendid curling strike into the right corner from just outside the penalty area.

Roy Krishna could have equalised in the 68th minute but shot wide from a promising position.

The results: At Bengaluru:
Bengaluru FC 0 lost to ATK Mohun Bagan 1 (Petratos 66).

At Chennai: Chennaiyin FC 1 (Petar Sliskovic 78) lost to Hyderabad FC 3 (Halicharan Narzary 65, Chinglensana Singh 74, Borja Herrera 85).

ON THE RECOVERY PATH

Pele has respiratory infection, but doing 'better', say doctors

Football legend Pele, who was hospitalised this week amid ongoing cancer treatments, has developed a respiratory infection, but is in stable condition and "showing general improvement", his doctors said on Friday. "The patient's response has been adequate, and he remains in a standard room, not intensive care," the hospital said.

BRAZIL'S WOES

Jesus and Telles ruled out of World Cup due to injuries

Brazil's forward Gabriel Jesus and defender Alex Telles have both been ruled out of the rest of the World Cup after picking up injuries in their final Group G game against Cameroon, the country's football association said on Saturday. Telles was substituted in the 54th minute, with Jesus leaving the pitch 10 mintues later.

NO SMALL ACHIEVEMENT

Lloris 'honoured' to equal Thuram as France's most-capped player

"It is no small achievement. I am really honoured at the figures and very proud, even if it is very much secondary to the fact that we are on the eve of the last 16 of the World Cup," said Hugo Lloris on the prospect of equalling Lilian Thuram as France's most-capped player with his 142nd cap.

FULL OF BEANS

South Korea's Son eyes 'another miracle' against powerhouse Brazil

Son Heung-min wants his South Korea side to pull off "another miracle" and beat Brazil on Monday. "Our tournament is not over. We've always talked about reaching the round of 16 as our objective but we should now try to go beyond that. I hope we can script another miracle," he said.

Netherlands roars into quarterfinals

The Dutchmen hand out a painful lesson in finishing to the USA on way to a comfortable 3-1 win in the round of 16 encounter

Total football! Depay, right, capped a 20-pass move with a perfect finish to put Netherlands ahead. AP

FIFA WORLD CUP

Agence France-Presse
DOHA

A clinical Netherlands ended the United States' World Cup dream on Saturday, sweeping into the quarterfinals with a ruthless 3-1 victory in a round of 16 match.

First-half goals from Memphis Depay and Daley Blind and a late strike from Denzel Dumfries sealed the victory as the Dutch handed out a painful lesson in finishing to their American opponents.

Although USA enjoyed long periods of possession in a bright first-half display, it lacked composure in the final third. Instead it was the Dutch who calmly bided their time before carving open the Americans with precision.

USA forward Christian Pulisic squandered a golden chance to put his team up after only three minutes, when he found himself in space only to see a scuffed shot saved by Andries Noppert.

Buoyed by that opportunity, the Americans remained on the front foot, attacking high up the field. But, in the 10th minute, the Netherlands took the lead. Superb interplay in midfield saw the ball worked to Dumfries down the right.

Dumfries picked out Depay, who swept home the finish to cap a majestic 20-pass move that was in the best traditions of the Netherlands' total footballing heritage.

In the 43rd minute, Tim Weah had the best chance for USA to equalise, letting fly a rasping shot that Noppert parried away.

In the first half stoppage-time, Netherlands delivered the hammer blow.

Dumfries again found space down the right and drilled a cross to Blind, who had ghosted clear of Sergino Dest, for an emphatic finish. The Netherlands nearly extended its lead early in the second half when Dumfries' low cross was prodded towards the USA goal by defender Walker Zimmerman, forcing a save by Matt Turner.

USA coach Gregg Berhalter introduced Gio Reyna for the ineffective Jesus Ferreira in attack at halftime in an effort to provide the cutting edge. The Borussia Dortmund player made an instant impression, setting up a shot for Weston McKennie which sailed over the bar.

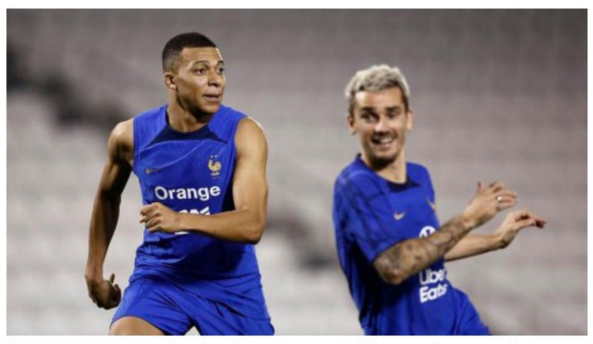
Berhalter brought on Haji Wright for McKennie midway through the second half and the move sparked a fleeting revival.

After seeing a goal-bound chance cleared at the near post in the 75th, Wright scored a minute later when his flick from Pulisic's cross looped over Noppert into the Dutch net for 2-1.

USA's fightback was short-lived. In the 81st minute, another attack pulled its defence out of position, and Blind crossed to an unmarked Dumfries at the far post to do the rest.

The result: Netherlands 3 (Depay 10, Blind 45+1, Dumfries 81) bt United States 1 (Wright 76).

It's back to 'park the bus' for Poles against attacking France



Awesome duo: Poland will need to pull off something special if it has to stop France's Mbappe and Griezmann. REUTERS

Ayon Sengupta
DOHA

The curse of the champion is no longer there. France, the previous World Cup winner, is there in the knockouts. The ominous streak had started with the French themselves in 2002 when they finished last in a group having Denmark, Senegal and Uruguay.

Brazil's run in 2006 was cut short in the quarterfinals by *Les Bleus*. Since then, Italy, Spain, Germany have faltered in this first hurdle. But Didier Deschamps' team, brimming with attacking riches, topped its group in Qatar 2022 despite the last-game loss to Tunisia.

Deschamps had introduced multiple changes in that final league match, benching Kylian Mbappe, Ousmane Dembele and Antonie Griezmann, among others.

But against a shot-shy Poland at the Al Thumma Stadium, France will need Mbappe's speed to load the left channel, while Griezmann will bring in an additional goal threat with his runs from deep.

The scorer of 42 international goals has been the heart of this French side in his right-sided midfield role and had set up Mbappe's winning goal against Denmark.

Robert Lewandowski mostly wandered alone in the Argentina game as Poland was busy defending, pulling men back to close the gaps that Argentina created. Against France, too, it will look to park the bus and hit the opponents on the counter.

"Poland had to defend a lot in the three games. And they defend very well; I would even say that they like it, that they love to suffer. But we must not limit ourselves to that. We know their attacking players. They are a competitive team, they have a hard core of players with a lot of international experience, who have already participated in various competitions, with almost a hundred caps," Deschamps said in the prematch press conference.

Despite Lewandowski leading its line, Czeslaw Michniewicz's team managed just four shots on target and scored twice.

The focus for Michniewicz will again be on defensive shape but striker Arkadiusz Milik was relaxed enough to have a laugh. "We need to buy scooters for our defenders," he said about the team's plan to stop the explosive Mbappe.

France vs. Poland (8.30 P.M. IST)
Matches 16, France 8, Poland 3, Drawn 5
Goals: France 27, Poland 16

England vs. Senegal (12.30 A.M., MONDAY)
First meeting

Aboubakar gives Cameroon a night to remember against a misfiring Brazil

Ayon Sengupta
DOHA

In the golden spaceship of Lusail, the football city with its Champs-Elysees and Beverly Hills (in a much grander scale than the Kolkata puja replicas you are imagining), the warriors of Brazil ditched their gold and came in blue and nine new troopers as nothing much was there to be gained.

Only defender Eder Militao and midfielder Fred survived from the Switzerland game as Dani Alves at 39 became the oldest player in a World Cup match. But the Doha locals (read mostly Indians) were not ready to miss the chance to do the Samba dance on a Friday holiday. They outnumbered the Brazilian supporters from Brazil by a mile and the gasps from the stands when every chance went abegging were not in Portuguese but the familiar subcontinental roll of the tongue.

Brazil could have scored five, Gabriel Martinelli six but in Devis Epassy they found a foe who was not ready to be breached. And finally, those missed goals mattered as skipper Vincent Aboubakar ran like a bull clattering the expensively assembled second-string Brazilian China Shop to score with a header and give this World Cup another story to remember.

The emotion got the better of him and his shirt was off and the yellow card out and then the red as he was booked once before. The referee, too, acknowledged the euphoria a win over Brazil could bring and patted his back and exchanged a handshake before sheepishly giving the marching orders.

The Indomitable Lions swelled with pride, but Brazil was not perturbed as Neymar winked and joked while his teammates acknowledged the fans who had earlier unfurled a "Get Well Soon, Pele" banner.

The other game was more dramatic, and Switzerland won 3-2 that ill-tempered brawl with the Serbians and the result here was inconsequential.

But tell that to the crowd that came to see Brazil win but refused to leave after the defeat, just happy to see their happy heroes a little longer.

Martinelli was the brightest among the Brazilians auditioning, his eagerness only matched by Epassy who stood like a rock. It was for long just a game between the two, Martinelli trying various methods to open a door to goal and the Cameroonian keeping nothing ajar in this long corridor of one chance after another. The windows too were bolted shut and not even a speck of light could sneak past the vigil he was keeping.

The Brazilians were still going through and against South Korea in the round-of-16 their heavyweights will be back and there was nothing to worry for Tite and his son.

For now, the moment was for the fans to click a few last-gasp pics for the hurried forwards back home. They were here and the result didn't matter.

One for the ages: Aboubakar heads in a goal that he will probably regale his grandchildren with. AFP

Final Group G Standings

	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
Brazil (Q)	3	2	0	1	2	6
Switzerland (Q)	3	2	0	1	1	6
Cameroon	3	1	1	1	0	4
Serbia	3	0	1	2	-3	1

Q: QUALIFIED

The results: Group G:
Cameroon 1 (Aboubakar 90+2) bt Brazil 0.

Serbia 2 (Mitrovic 26, Vlahovic 35) lost to Switzerland 3 (Shaqiri 20, Embolo 44, Freuler 48).

Babar joins run fest, but England hits back

Reuters
RAWALPINDI

Pakistan skipper Babar Azam became the seventh batsman to smash a century on Saturday, day three of the opening Test against England here, but the visitors remain on course for a solid first-innings lead. Three home batters scored tons to power Pakistan to 499 for seven.

The scores:
England 657 in 101 overs vs Pakistan 499/7 in 136 overs (Abdullah Shafique 114, Imam ul Haq 121, Babar Azam 136, Will Jacks 3/132).

Top-order in focus as Dhawan, Rahul vie for opening spot

INDIA IN BANGLADESH

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MIRPUR

Shikhar Dhawan and K.L. Rahul will battle it out for the opener's slot even as a top-heavy Indian batting line-up will aim for transformation and show more intent against a gutsy Bangladesh in the three-match ODI series starting Sunday.

Throw a fabulously consistent young turk Shubman Gill (rested for this series) into the mix, and coach Rahul Dravid will struggle to fit in all the boxes of this jigsaw puzzle called Indian top-order.

The focus for the next one year will primarily be on ODIs and, India's approach in the 50-over format needs a sea change.

Dhawan's slow approach in the PowerPlay and the emergence of Gill as a potent 50-over opener is bound to throw up possibilities. While Virat Kohli at No. 3 is an automatic choice, Shreyas Iyer as No. 4 is settling down. Rishabh Pant remains ahead of Ishan Kishan to start as No. 5.

Shami injured

With Mohammed Shami ruled out due to shoulder injury, Umran Malik has a chance to show a different facet of his bowling.

With regular Bangladesh ODI skipper Tamim Iqbal ruled out with an injury, Liton was named the captain for the series.

India-Bangladesh H2H in ODIs

	Matches	India	Bangladesh	NR
Overall	36	30	5	1
In Bangladesh	22	17	4	1

The schedule

First ODI: Dec. 4, Mirpur | Second ODI: Dec. 7, Mirpur | Third ODI: Dec. 10, Chattogram

All matches start at 11.30 a.m. IST

The teams (from):

India: Rohit Sharma (Capt.), K.L. Rahul (Vice-capt.), Shikhar Dhawan, Virat Kohli, Shreyas Iyer, Rishabh Pant, Ishan Kishan, Rajat Patidar, Rahul Tripathi, Axar Patel, Washington Sundar, Kuldeep Sen, Umran Malik, Deepak Chahar, Shardul Thakur, Shahbaz Ahmed and Mohammed Siraj.

Bangladesh: Litton Das (Capt.), Anamul Hague Bijoy, Shakib Al Hasan, Mushfiqur Rahim, Afif Hossain, Yasir Chowdhury, Mehidy Hasan Miraz, Mustafizur Rahman, Hasan Mahmud, Ebadot Hossain Chowdhury, Nasum Ahmed, Mahmud Ullah, Najmul Hossain Shanto, Quazi Nurul Hasan Sohan and Shoriful Islam.

Match starts at 11:30 a.m. (IST).

New challenge: Rohit and Litton unveil the trophy for the three-match ODI series. PTI

Brathwaite hundred leads WI's defiance

Reuters
PERTH

Marnus Labuschagne racked up another century on Saturday to help Australia set West Indies a huge target of 498 on day four of the first Test here.

Kraigg Brathwaite ended the day unbeaten on 101 to give his side, on 192 for three and trailing by 306 runs at the close, a fighting chance.

The scores: Australia 598/4 decl. & 182/2 decl. in 37 overs (Marnus Labuschagne 104 n.o. David Warner 48) vs West Indies 283 & 192/3 in 62 overs (Kraigg Brathwaite 101 batting, Tagenarine Chanderpaul 45).

INBRIEF

Ajinkya delivers for Thalaivas; Paltan pip Naveen's Dabang

Tamil Thalaivas' skipper Ajinkya Pawar (20 points) led by example as his side cruised past Telugu Titans 52-24 in the Pro Kabaddi League in Hyderabad on Saturday. Narender scored 10 points. Earlier, Puneri Paltan held a comfortable lead before Dabang Delhi skipper Naveen Kumar put up an inspiring show. However, Paltan held their nerve to register a 47-44 victory.

Rajasthan United edges out Neroca FC in I-League

Rajasthan United began its 'home' campaign on a positive note, eking out a 1-0 win over Neroca FC in a fifth-round fixture of the I-League football here on Saturday. A first-half header by Kyrgyz defender Aidar Mambetaliev (38th minute) was enough for the host to collect three points as it remained unbeaten for the third straight game.

Sukant Kadam makes para badminton semifinals

World No. 3 Sukant Kadam of India sailed into the semifinals of the Peru Para Badminton International in Lima. The ace shuttler will face Guatemala's Raul Anguiano in his last-four clash on Sunday. In the quarterfinals, Kadam went past Brazil's Breno Johann without dropping a game. The match lasted 21 minutes, with the Indian winning it 21-14, 21-9.

Anjum Moudgil wins rifle silver in President's Cup

Anjum Moudgil capped a fine season by winning the silver in the women's rifle 3-position event in the President's Cup in Cairo, Egypt, on Saturday. The 28-year-old Anjum was beaten to the gold 16-14 by Anna Janssen of Germany.

Karnataka well placed against Jammu & Kashmir

Karnataka skittled out Jammu & Kashmir for 86 in 48.3 overs in its first innings, and in reply, was well placed at 145 for two in 38 overs at close on the first day of the Cooch Behar Trophy under-19 match at Mysuru on Saturday.

The scores: Jammu & Kashmir 86 in 48.3 overs (Mohsin Khan 4/41) vs Karnataka 145/2 in 38 overs (Swaroop S. Hipparangi 61 n.o., Prakar Chaturvedi 37 n.o., Vijayaraj 36).

National squash c'ships in Chennai from today

The 78th SRFI HCL National squash championships will be hosted by Tamil Nadu Squash Rackets Association (TNSRA), under the aegis of Squash Rackets Federation of India (SRFI), at the Indian Squash and Triathlon Academy in Chennai from December 4 to 10. A total of 503 players registered across 24 states will participate in this prestigious event with 11 National titles at stake. Joshana Chinappa, the 18-time national champion, will defend her title in the women's category, while Ramit Tandon has been given the top billing in the men's event.

LIVE TELECAST

NBA: Sports 18-1 (SD & HD) & Voot Select, 7 a.m.

Australia vs West Indies: 1st Test, day 5, Sony LIV, 7.50 a.m.

Pakistan vs England: 1st Test, day 4, Sony Sports Ten 2 (SD & HD) & LIV, 10.30 a.m.

Bangladesh vs India: 1st ODI, Sony Sports Ten 5 (SD & HD) & LIV, 12.30 p.m.

IRL: Star Sports 2 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 2.30 p.m.

I-League: Eurosport (SD & HD), 4.30 p.m.

ISL: Star Sports 1 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 7.30 p.m.

PKL: Star Sports 2 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 7.30 p.m. onwards

FIFA World Cup 2022: Sports 18-1 (SD & HD) & Jio Cinema App, 8.30 p.m. & 12.30 a.m. (Monday)

Golf: Hero World Challenge: Eurosport (SD & HD), 11 p.m. onwards

Karna Kadur is overall leader after first leg

The day's schedule was shortened to four special stages as against the scheduled six following a delayed start due to a technical hitch

K-1000 RALLY

Sports Bureau
TUMAKURU

Powering through: Karna Kadur of Arka Motorsports stepped up to the challenging terrain.

Bengaluru's Karna Kadur (co-driver Nikhil V. Pai) of Arka Motorsports stepped up to the challenging terrain to finish the first leg as the overall leader in the Prasaditya 46th Karnataka-1000 Rally, a round of the Blueband FMSCI Indian Rally Championship here on Saturday. Seven-time Gaurav Gill (Musa Sherif), meanwhile, retired due to mechanical issues.

The day's schedule was shortened to four Special Stages as against the scheduled six following a delayed start due to a technical hitch.

Keeping his focus

However, Kadur, the championship leader, kept his focus and came up with a well-paced drive to take a 47.4-second lead over Palakkad's Fabid Ahmer (Sanath G) with Mangaluru's Aroor Arjun Rao (Satish Rajagopal) of Mandovi Racing in third, trailing the leader by one minute. Four more stages are scheduled to be run on Sunday.

Provisional partial classification (After Leg-1):
Overall / INRC: 1. Karna Kadur & Nikhil V Pai (Bengaluru, Arka Motorsports) (36mins, 03secs); 2. Fabid Ahmer & Sanath G (Palakkad) (36:50.4); 3. Aroor Arjun Rao (Mangaluru) & Satish Rajagopal (Bengauru, Mandovi Racing) (37:04.7).

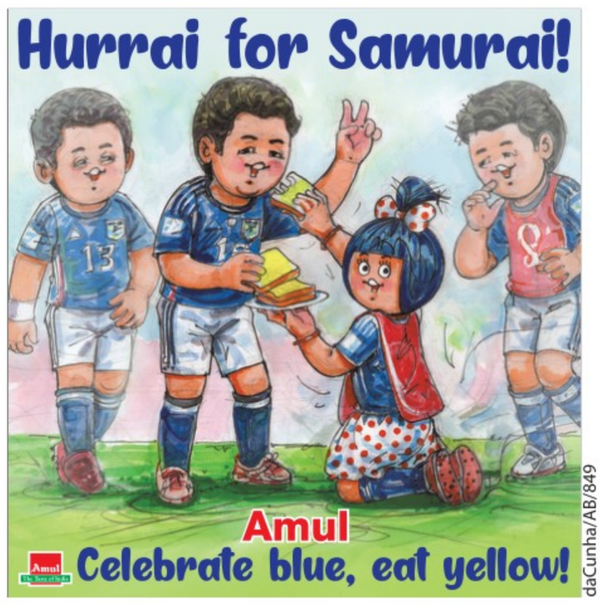
INRC 2: 1. Ahmer & Sanath; 2. Suhem Kabeer (Virajpet) & Jeeva Rathinam (Bengaluru) (37:09.3); 3. Aditya Thakur (Solan) & Virender Kashyap (Shimla, Chettinad Sporting) (37:21.7).

INRC 3: 1. Maninder Singh Prince (New Delhi) & Suraj Keshava Prasad (Bengaluru, JK Rallying) (38:10.9); 2. Philippos Mathai (New Delhi) & Harish KN (Bengaluru, Arka Motorsports) (38:10.9); 3. Kuber Sharma (Solan) & Kunal Kashyap (Shimla) (38:18.1).

INRC 4: 1. Aeman Ahmed (Chikkamagluru) & Sagar M (Bengaluru, Ammyfied Rallying) (43:25.2); 2. Rakshith Iyer (Mysuru) & Avinash CA (Bengaluru) (43:45.6); 3. Jagbir Nirwan (Patiala) & Karanpreet Mattu (Kurukshetra) (47:43.2).

JINRC: 1. Arnav Pratap Singh (Delhi) & Arjun SSB (Bengaluru, SNAP Racing) (39:05.9); 2. Pragathi Gowda & Trisha Alonkar (Bengaluru, Arka Motorsports) (39:08.7); Ajay Shankar (Kollam) & Rohit Gowda (Bengaluru) (40:47.8).

Gypsy Challenge (Non-championship): 1. Samrat Yadav (Chandigarh) & M. Chandrashekar (Bengaluru) (38:54.300); 2. Himanshu Arora (Delhi) & Vikram Thakur (Chandigarh, Ammyfield Rallying) (40:14.300); 3. Kariappa Mekerira (Kodagu) & Supreeth Sagar (Bengaluru, Ammyfied Rallying) (43:02.200).



TN enters National basketball final

Sports Bureau
UDAIPUR

Defending champion Tamil Nadu marched into the final with a 123-75 victory over Railways in the semifinals of the 72nd National basketball championship at the Atal Bihari Vajpayee Indoor Hall on Saturday.

A. Aravind top scored for Tamil Nadu with 30 points as the team took a 57-40 lead at half time, and stepped up its attack for a 66-35 score in the second half.

Tamil Nadu will meet the winner of the other semifinal between Punjab and Rajasthan.

In the women's section, Railways and Kerala made the finals, beating Delhi and Karnataka respectively.

The results (semifinals):
Men: Tamil Nadu 123 (A Aravind 30, P Jeevanathan 19, Muin Bek 16, Aravind Kumar 15) bt Railways 75 (Sahil 15, Rajan Sharma 14, Palpreet Singh 12, Amarendra Naik 10).
Women: Railways 85 (M Pushpa 12, Sruti Aravind 11, Nima Dongra 10) bt Delhi 44 (Kritika Dhingra 10).
Kerala 70 (Minnu Mariam Joy 15, Stephy Nixon 14, PS Jeena 12) bt Karnataka 44.

Australia bounces back, seals series

HOCKEY

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Dilpreet, India's goal-scorer. FILE PHOTO

India made a promising start by taking the first-half lead, but the defence fell apart later as it lost the fourth hockey Test 1-5 against Australia and conceded an unassailable 3-1 lead in the five-match series here on Saturday.

The final match will be played on Sunday. India had won the third match after losing the first two.

Comeback-man Dilpreet Singh (25th) struck early to give India the lead after a resolute defensive display by Harmanpreet and company in a goalless first quarter.

But India's defence crumbled towards the end of second quarter with Jeremy Hayward (29th) and Jake Whetton (30th) scoring within 50 seconds. Tom Wickham (34th) extended the lead before Hayward completed his brace (41st).

Matt Dawson entered the scoresheet in the 54th minute with a low volley strike that went past Krishan Pathak.

The result:
Australia 5 (Hayward 29 & 41, Whetton 30, Wickham 34, Dawson 54) bt India 1 (Dilpreet 25).

Arjun in lead, Vaishali second among women

TATA STEEL CHESS

P.K. Ajith Kumar
KOLKATA

After finishing runner-up in the rapid event, Arjun Erigaisi is making a strong bid for a top prize in the blitz section of the Tata Steel Chess India tournament as well.

He goes into the final day as the sole leader.

At the end of the ninth round at the National Library here on Saturday, Arjun, last year's rapid champion and runner-up in blitz, has 6.5 points.

In the women's section, R. Vaishali is in the second position, with seven points, trailing the sole leader Mariya Muzychuk of Ukraine by one point.

Dronavalli Harika, who had finished third in the rapid event, is sharing the third spot, with Muzychuk's older sister Anna.

Vaishali scored some significant victories against Georgia's Nana Dzagnidze, fellow-Indian Koneru Humpy and Ukraine's Anna Ushenina, the title winner of the women's rapid event.

The results (ninth round):

Open: R. Praggnanandhaa 4 lost to Hikaru Nakamura (USA) 5; Wesley So (USA) 3 bt D. Gukesh 4; Shakhriyar Mamedyarov (Aze) 6 lost to Vidit Gujrathi 5.5; Maghsoodloo Parham (IRI) 4 drew with Nodirbek Abdusattorov (Uzb) 2; Arjun Erigaisi 6.5 drew with Nihal Sarin 5.

Women: Oliwia Kiolbasa (Pol) 3 lost to Koneru Humpy 4.5; Anna Ushenina (Ukr) 4 lost to R. Vaishali 7; Dronavalli Harika 5 bt B. Savitha Shri 4; Nana Dzagnidze (Geo) lost to Mariya Muzychuk (Ukr) 8; Bhakti Kulkari 2.5 bt Anna Muzychuk (Ukr) 5.

BENGALURU ROUND-UP

Vivek hits ton in Jharkhand's win

Vivek Kumar's century (100) was instrumental in Jharkhand's five-wicket win over Karnataka in the Vijay Merchant Trophy under-16 tournament.

The scores: Karnataka 213 in 82 overs (Siddesh A. Asalkar 26, Arnav Mishra 52, Eesa Puthige 38, David 3/44, P. Murmu 3/54) & 116 in 46.2 overs (Rishabh B. Nayak 30, Eklavya Singh 5/30) lost to Jharkhand 319 in 134.1 overs (Vatshal Tiwari 63, Chaitanya Bir 25, Vivek Kumar 100, Abhay Kumar Singh 52 n.o., R. Himesh 4/77) & 11/5 in 3.2 overs (Samyak Vellalore 3/7).

Brace by Tejas

Tejas scored twice as BCYA-A defeated Bellary HC 5-1 in the KSHA B-division hockey league here on Saturday.

The result: BCYA-A 5 (Manpreet Singh 12, S. Pavan 16, Sandeep 22, Tejas Charan 38, 44) bt Bellary HC 1 (Lokesh 28).

Roots routs GRK FA

Roots pumped 15 goals to no reply against GRK FA in an under-15 match of the KSFA Youth Premier League here on Saturday.

The results: U-17: Alchemy International bt RSA 2-0.

U-15: Roots bt GRK FA 15-0; YBEFC bt BCFC 1-0; BBFS bt The Sports School 2-1; Alchemy bt RSA 2-1; Kickstart FC bt Bangalore Champs 9-0.

U-13: BSSSS bt GRK Academy 10-1; Kickstart FC bt Roots FS 5-0; Alchemy bt Bangalore YFL 6-0; VAS Sports Academy bt Black Panthers 4-3.

Unnati makes final of Asia junior championships

BADMINTON

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NEW DELHI

Short work: Unnati beat Yokouchi in straight games to become the first Indian to enter the summit clash. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Unnati Hooda on Saturday became the first Indian to enter the U-17 women's singles final of the Badminton Asia Junior Championships in Nothaburi, Thailand, after beating Japan's Mion Yokouchi in straight games. Unnati won 21-8, 21-17 over her Japanese rival in the women's U-17 singles semifinals. She faces Sarunrak Vitidsarn of Thailand in the gold medal match on Sunday.

Anish Thoppani (U-15) and the U-17 men's doubles pair of Arsh Mohammad and Sanskar Saraswat also posted brilliant victories to move into the finals.

The in-form duo of Arsh and Sanskar also showcased a similar dominating display against Chinese Taipei's Chi-Ruei Chiu and Shao Hua Chiu to ease into the U-17 men's doubles final with a commanding 21-15, 21-19 win in a lopsided last-four contest.

In the men's U-15 semifinal, Anish made a sensational comeback after being one game down to stun the second seed Lee Yu-Jui of Chinese Taipei 18-21, 21-12, 21-12.

In the final, Anish will be up against Chung-Hsiang Yih of Chinese Taipei, who beat India's Gnana Dattu 21-16 19-21 21-13 in another semifinal. Dattu signed off with a bronze.

The U-15 men's doubles pair of Bjorn Jaison and P.V. Aathish Sreenivas won a bronze after losing to top-seeded Indonesian duo of Muhammad Mubarrok and Raihan Pramono 18-21, 14-21 in the semifinals.

Age forgery case filed against Lakshya Sen

Sports Bureau
BENGALURU

A case of cheating and age forgery was filed against badminton star and Arjuna award-winner Lakshya Sen at the High Grounds police station here on Thursday.

The others included in the First Information Report (FIR) are his coach at the Prakash Padukone Badminton Academy and Dronacharya awardee U. Vimal Kumar, his father Dhirendra Sen, brother Chirag Sen and mother Nirmala Sen.

The complainant M.G. Nagaraja has accused Dhirendra Sen and his wife of colluding with the coach to forge Lakshya and Chirag's ages to get them admitted to the Academy, and also make them participate in the age-group tournaments during their junior days.

This, according to Nagaraja's complaint, amounts to cheating the government and also depriving deserving children of chances.

Bolt from the blue: Lakshya's parents and coach have been accused of forging the age of the shuttler and his brother. FILE PHOTO

Nagaraja initially approached the police and later filed a private complaint with the court, which directed the police to register an FIR and investigate.

Vimal Kumar, however, denied the accusations. "Allegations against me related to any involvement in age fraud are baseless, frivolous and made with malicious intent," he said in a statement. "Age verification is the sole prerogative and responsibility of the Badminton Association of India (BAI), which is the sole governing authority for administering the game."

"My focus over 30 years as a coach has always been to groom our upcoming youngsters to the best of my ability to bring laurels for our country based on their merit," he added.